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ABSOLUTE FREEDOM

Cubans Will Accept Nothing Less from Spain.

ALL TALK OF COMPROMISE ABSURD

No Danger of Gen. Gomez Treating with the Enemy --- Senor Palma Describes the Present Situation of the Conflict.

New York, Jan. 22.—Gen. T. Estrada Palma of the Cuban junta in this city has given the following statement to a representative of the United Associated Presses: "So much has lately been said of the probability of the termination of the Cuban revolution by the acceptance on the part of the Cubans of autonomy or reforms that I feel it incumbent on me, as the accredited representative in this country of the Cubans, to make a brief statement on the subject. Reforms were passed by the Spanish cortes, but the outbreak of this revolution was not thereby stayed one hour. There was and is but one idea for which the Cubans are fighting. We have had enough of so-called reforms, enough of promises of more reforms, enough of promised autonomy. Every intelligent man would rightly condemn the leaders and participants in this movement if anything short of independence be the basis of a treaty of peace with Spain. It is claimed that Gen. Gomez is willing to treat with Spain on the basis of autonomy, and that a letter to that effect has been received by me. There is no such letter. Knowing Gen. Gomez as comrade in the last revolution, knowing his opinions as expressed to me before and during this war, knowing his stainless patriotism, I can vouch for him. He is made of too stern a material to surrender on any such terms, particularly when in his latest letters to me he writes contentedly of his resources and glowingly of his conviction that this campaign will be most successful.

Not Worshippers of Individualities.

"But even though any one of the foremost leaders should be inclined to terminate the war by the acceptance of autonomy (which is barely within the bounds of possibility), while he himself might surrender, he would do so alone. We Cubans are not worshippers of individualities; we are steadfast followers of our ideal. The death of our glorious Maceo struck sorrow to the heart of every Cuban, but we did not falter, his forces did not surrender, the revolution received no perceptible check. The leader who proposed peace under the Spanish flag would find himself without followers. No treaty of peace can be made by the Cubans unless ratified by a specially convoked assembly. It is beyond the bounds of possibility to expect that the Cubans, after two years of sanguinary strife, when they find themselves in a position such as has never been their good fortune to occupy, in point of numbers, equipment and resources, will now weakly accept terms of compromise. Every Cuban every and American knows that the apparent generous and conciliatory spirit of Spain springs not from her strength, but from her weakness. How can we then, under the circumstances, be expected to waver? If the Cubans in the field are too strong to even consider such proposals, the Cubans in the cities are too well advised of Spain's plans and Spain's precarious situation to counsel this step.

Nothing Less Than Independence.

"What form of autonomy would help Cuba when saddled not only with her previous debt, but with the added burden of the cost of the present war? The future of the country would be ruin and starvation. News of our successes in the field may be suffocated by censor, pacification of the island provinces may be falsely proclaimed, as in the case of Pinar del Rio, decrees allowing grinding of sugar may be issued where all cane has been destoryed, promises of reforms and autonomy given and amnesties promulgated, foreigh countries may by these means and by mendacious Spanish diplomacy be cajoled into the belief that Spain is mighty, is generous and that we are weak, are ungrateful, but we Cubans will continue to fight for independence and nothing but independence first, last and all the time. Our leaders may fall, but others will take their places. The opportunity will find the man. Gomez himself has written that even should he fall, the revolution is strong enough to continue to its triumph. The only excuse we will have for having begun the war will be its triumph; the only fitting monument for our fallen comrades, the indedendence of their country."

Massachusetts Reform Club Banquet.

Boston, Jan. 22.—The Hon. Perry Belmont of New York will be the guest of the Massachusetts Reform club tonight. In his speech he will pay special attention to Cuba and Spain.

O'Neil's Hearing Postponed.

Greenfield, Mass., Jan. 22.—The preliminary hearing of John O'Neil, jr., charged with the murder of Mrs. Hattie F. McCloud, has been postponed for two weeks.

ARTHUR PALMER'S VICTIMS.

Funeral of the Man's Mother and Brother. An Exciting Episode at the Church.

Mamaroneck, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon in the Methodist church over the remains of Mrs. Harriet Palmer and Leonard Palmer, who were mudered a few days ago by Arthur Palmer, a son of the former. Among the chief mourners were Wm. A. Palmer, Loftus T. Palmer and Jesse Palmer, brothers of the murderer. While the burial service was being read, George Palmer, Arthur's cousin, who, it is claimed, had threatened to complete the work of killing the family begun by Arthur, attempted to enter the church and was placed under arrest. It was feared by the authorities that if he was permitted to enter the church he would put his threat into execution. The condition of Miss Gertrude Palmer, another of her brother's victims, was much improved this morning, and it is now thought that she will recover. So far, the authorities have not been able to get the slightest clue to the whereabouts of the murderer. A dispatch was received here from Toronto this morning which stated that Arthur Palmer's wife, who is visiting her parents in that city, is completely prostrated at her husband's horrible crime.

2,500 PERSONS KILLED.

Three Shocks of Earthquake Occur on the Island of Kishm.

London, Jan. 22.—The Globe publishes a dispatch from Bombay sent out by a news agency which says that three shocks of earthquake occurred on the island of Kishm, in the Persian gulf, on January 15, destroying thousands of houses and killing 2,500 persons.

The Battleship Turret Question.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Secretary Herbert's visit to the Washington navy yard yesterday to inspect full-sized models of turrets for the new battleships, was in connection with the old question of two-story turrets, which has again arisen, although they had been abandoned for the latest ships. The chief of ordnance desires to have them substituted for the inclined elliptical system, recently adopted, and the change is resisted by Constructor Hichburn, who has been supported by Secretary Herbert. Secretary Herbert has decided the question in favor of Chief Constructor Hichborn.

John L. Sullivan's Condition.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 22.—John L. Sullivan, who is ill at the Manhattan house, is much more comfortable this morning, but is still confined to his bed, and has not yet taken nourishment. He is permitted to see his friends and his wife and sister are now with him. By next week it is expected that he will be so far recovered as to be able to be out. His callers are very numerous and he is also in receipt of numerous telegrams.

Snow Too Much for Escaped Convicts.

Laconia, N. H., Jan. 22.—Patrick Driscoll and J. McAuley, two of the prisoners who escaped from the Belknap county jail Wednesday night, came back to the jail yesterday and surrendered. They returned to escape the severe snow storm. Alvah Pike, Jessie Reynolds and Henry Kouris, who escaped at the same time, are still at large.

Launching of the Daniel Manning.

Boston, Jan. 22.—Owing to the inclement weather the launching of the United States revenue cutter Daniel Manning, which was to have taken place at the shipyard of the Atlantic works in East Boston yesterday, has been postponed until the conditions are more favorable.

France and the Peace Treaty.

Paris, Jan. 22.—M. Mirman, a radical republican member of the chamber of deputies, intimated yesterday that he would shortly question M. Hanotaux, Minister of foreign affairs, as to what negotiations had been or were being carried on with the United States, looking to the conclusion of a treaty of arbitration.

Raines Law Decision.

Kingston, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Judge Clearwater has decided that a Raines law liquor certificate is a chattel which can be sold for the payment of debts and has appointed a receiver to take possession of the license of a Saugerties saloonkeeper, on a judgment of a wholesale liquor dealer.

Sunk in Collision.

London, Jan. 22.—The British steamer Micmac, from New York, which arrived at Newcastle, England, yesterday, collided with and sank the British steamer Liberty in the river Tyne. The Micmac sustained much damage. No lives were lost.

Counterfeiter Eckes Recaptured.

Rome, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Anton Eckes, the Buffalo counterfeiter, who escaped from a train here on Tuesday morning, has been captured at Norwich.

House of Lords Adjourns.

London, Jan. 22.—The house of lords has adjourned for one week.

MORE CABINET TALK

Lyman J. Gage May Be Tendered the Treasury Portfolio.

CULLOM'S NAME NO LONGER HEARD

Alger's Friends Still Urging His Appointment as Secretary of War—A Committee of Boston Men Will Visit the President-elect To-day.

Canton, O., Jan. 22.—Lyman J. Gage of Chicago, who was first mentioned in these dispatches as a cabinet possibility, is being seriously considered with reference to his availability for appointment to the position of secretary of the treasury. Mr. Gage is a widely known banker, but from a party point of view is opposed by some of the active republicans of Illinois on the ground that he is a mugwump. Judge Grosscup of Chicago had some conversation on the subject of Mr. Gage and the treasury portfolio yesterday. It may be deemed certain that Senator Cullom will not be secretary of the treasury. He is not a candidate for this or any other cabinet position, but he has been seriously considered from time to time for one of the portfolios and may be offered the portfolio of the interior. Senator J. C. Burrows of Michigan had another interview with the president-elect last evening in the interest of Gen. R. A. Alger and left for Washington later, apparently satisfied with the result of his talk. Senator Burrows repeated the assertion that there were no longer any differences between Senator Sherman and Gen. Alger. Four representative ex-confederate soldiers from the valley of Virginia—John R. Roller, Col. John A. Gibson, A. P. Funkhauser and G. W. Hedrick—called yesterday to invite Major McKinley to attend a great peace meeting in the Shenandoah valley early next autumn. It is proposed to have several thousand union and confederate veterans meet on southern soil upon that occasion. Major McKinley will probably deliver an address. Senatorial candidate N. O. Murphy of Arizona discussed the politics of that territory with Major McKinley during the afternoon. He said M. H. McCord, Bart Dunlap and Drs. Evans and Goodrich are the prominent candidates for appointment as governor of that territory. The committee of Boston gentlemen expected in Canton to-day are coming to urge the president-elect to appoint T. Jefferson Coolidge of Massachusetts to the cabinet. It may be almost positively stated in this connection that the only Massachusetts man who is likely to be invited into Major McKinley's cabinet is ex-Gov. Long, and his selection seems practically determined upon. Mr. Coolidge was minister to France during part of the Harrison administration. Frederick Halls of New York and President Ratchford of the National Association of United Mine Workers were among Major McKinley's callers last night. C. L. Magee of Pittsburg is among the political visitors expected here to-day.

Schrader at Waterbury.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 22.—Schrader, the "divine healer," is in town. His advent has created quite a sensation, and already the diseased of the city are flocking to him for aid. He likens his power to that of Jesus Christ and affects the Saviour's appearance. He says he left Bridgeport because he felt sorry for the people in having to meet him in the undesirable quarters he had there.

Pugilistic Events at Rochester.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Jack Baty of Buffalo and Jack McDonough of this city have been matched for a twenty-round bout before the Rienzi Athletic club of this city next Monday night. Jack Hamilton of Syracuse and George Goulette of Buffalo have been matched for a ten-round bout on the same night.

Delgado's Body Buried in Cuba.

Havana, Jan. 22.—The remains of Henry Delgado, the American prisoner who died at the San Ambrosio hospital, where he had been confined ever since his arrival in this city after his capture in an insurgent hospital, were interred late yesterday afternoon in the Colon cemetery. The interment was in a special plot.

New Coinage Proposition.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The house committee on coinage, weights and measures heard Joseph Wharton of Philadelphia in support of a proposition to make our minor coins—one cent and five-cent pieces—out of pure nickel. Such a process, he said, would improve the appearance of those coins.

Three Fatally Burned.

Columbus, O., Jan. 22.—By the explosion of the great furnace at Wellston yesterday afternoon John Matin, John Kiaby and James Waddle were terribly burned and cannot recover. Weakness of the breast of the furnace was the cause.

Taylor Inaugurated.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 22.—Robert L. Taylor was yesterday inaugurated for the third time governor of Tennessee.

THE SAVAGE BENINS

Details of the Recent Massacre of a British Expedition.

DECEIVED BY FRIENDLY PROFESSIONS

The Advance Party Carrying Presents to the King First Attacked---England Preparing To Punish the Bloodthirsty Ruler.

London, Jan. 22.—Further details have reached here of the recent massacre of members of a peaceable British expedition by natives of the Benin country and the facts as now known have excited the deepest indignation, even among the "little Englanders," who declare that prompt punishment should be meted out to the murderers. The expedition, consisting of nine officers and 250 men, left Bonny about January 1. About two weeks later the yacht Ivy, belonging to the consul-general, returned to Bonny from Sapele, where the expedition had left it preparatory to making the land journey to Benin, with the news of the massacre of the entire expedition. Later it was learned that seven of the Kroomen escaped, and still later that Capt. Boisragon and Consular Officer Locke had also escaped.

Treachery and Massacre.

The expedition was divided into two sections to facilitate traveling. As they progressed into the country they were greeted in a friendly manner by the residents of several villages, which led to the hope that no opposition would be met with anywhere along the route. When the commander of the expedition had reached a point twenty miles from Benin river couriers from the king arrived bearing peaceful messages, which added to the feeling of security which pervaded the party. Here it was determined to send a number of carriers ahead as bearers of presents to the king. They followed the route laid out by the pioneers, and met with no hostility from any of the natives who were seen. These carriers were four hours ahead of the main body of the expedition, when without a warning of any kind they were attacked by a large body of warriors, who had already despatched the pioneer Kroomen. Every one of the carriers and those with them were massacred. The second party, entirely unaware of the fate of their predecessors, were marching along, when suddenly they came upon the piled up bodies of their massacred companions. There were no signs of an enemy about, the Benin warriors having hidden themselves in the thick jungle to await the coming of the second party. As the latter were stopped by the sight of the bodies and began to examine them a murderous volley was poured into them by the ambushed natives. Acting Consul-General Phillips, Dr. Elliott and Mr. Powles were instantly killed. Major Copeland Crawford was wounded and died shortly after. The natives again fired into the party and then fell upon them and either shot, stabbed or clubbed them to death. Mr. Campbell, one of the consular officials, was captured, and it is supposed he was taken to Benin to be executed.

The King Defiant.

It has been learned that Capt. Boisragon and Mr. Locke each had a revolver, and before they made their escape into the bush they shot several of the attacking party. When they got away from the scene of the massacre they made their way towards the river, subsisting as best they could on cassava. The only means they had of quenching their thirst was to suck the dew off the plants at night. They finally reached the river, ultimately procured a canoe from some friendly natives and made their way down to New Benin, where they met a British launch. Had they not procured a canoe it is doubtful if they could ever have reached the coast. The king sent to the British the rings worn by Mr. Phillips. This is regarded as an act of defiance, which the king will soon have cause to regret.

England May Annex the Country.

As soon as the news of the massacre reached England orders were given for the British officers stationed on the coast, who were home on furlough, to return to their posts, and instructions were given for the formation of an expedition to punish the king of Benin. This punitive expedition, it is now learned, will consist of forces of the Niger coast protectorate and contingents of sailors from the vessels of the West African squadron. It has been stated that such an expedition would have to proceed to Benin city in a short time, even had the massacre not occurred, as the whole of the Niger coast protectorate was suffering from the cruelties and exactions of the king of Benin. Slavery is rampant in that country, and human sacrifices and cannibalistic heathen rites are matters of daily occurence. Therefore, if the country is to be made of any value whatsoever, it will be necessary to suppress the king with a strong hand. The country is said to be very rich, and it would not be surprising to find that one result of the punitive expedition would be the annexation of the whole territory to the British possessions in West Africa.

TO-DAY IN CONGRESS.

No Business of Importance Arranged in Either Branch.

Washington, Jan. 22.—There is very little of importance before the senate to-day, and no regular course of business has been decided upon. Mr. Turpie has finished his speech against the Nicaraguan canal bill, but an effort to have a day and hour fixed for taking a vote was defeated by the absence of a quorum. It is likely that the bill relating to electrical conduits in the District of Columbia will again come up, and another wrangle, as has been the case for the past three days, is expected. Mr. Hill was unsuccessful in his attempt to have some definite action taken on his bill fixing at four years the term of all postmasters. Henry A. Dupont's certificate as senator from the state of Delaware was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

House of Representatives.

After 126 members of the house of representatives, including 53 republicans, had voted, in accordance with the recommendation of the majority of the committee on elections No. 3, that Mr. Tucker was entitled to retain his seat as member of the Fifty-fourth congress from the Tenth Virginia district, which was contested by Mr. Yost, two hours were spent in making the vote effective and finally settling the matter. The case had been discussed from noon until 4:30 o'clock. The vote in favor of Yost was 120, Mr. Thomas having changed his vote in order to move a reconsideration, and this closeness induced the friends of the minority, led by Mr. Hepburn and by Mr. Thomas, to make a parliamentary fight lasting two hours, to force an adjournment, in the hope that a different result might be reached this afternoon. But their efforts were futile, and the resolution declaring Tucker entitled to the seat was adopted late last evening by a vote of 119 to 47, 14 members being present and not voting. The result was clinched by the adoption of the usual motion, to reconsider the vote and to lay that motion on the table.

THE EIGHT HOUR LAW.

Navy Department Has No Information of Alleged Violations by Contractors.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Replying to a senate resolution as to the alleged violation of the eight hour law by Isaac Walker & Sons, contractors, in making repairs on the naval hospital at Brooklyn, N. Y., the secretary of the navy says the department has no information on the subject. The law had been observed in the department so far as all employees under its direction and control was concerned, but the department had never assumed any authority over the action of contractors or sub-contractors in the matter of their employees. If the act had made the department responsible for violations of the eight hour law, it would have been necessary to station inspectors at points where buildings were being erected, mines where stone and marble were quarried, mills where lumber was sawed, ship yards building government ships, etc., necessitating an army of inspectors and appropriations for their pay.

A Question of Woman's Rights.

Washington, Jan. 22.—A question of woman's rights has been raised in the war department and is likely to cause much discussion. The civil service commission recently advertised to fill a $1,500 vacancy in the adjutant-general's office. Miss Maud Stalnaker was the only person who passed the examination, and she was duly certified for the position, but the appointment has been rejected on the ground that the department does not want a woman in the place. Miss Stalnaker resides in this city, and is a lady of unexceptional character and accomplishments. The examination required, among other things, knowledge of five modern languages.

A. J. Farwell Insane.

Boston, Jan. 22.—A. J. Farwell, who was employed as assistant transfer clerk in the discount department of the Boston Safe Depost & Trust company, has been committed to McLean asylum. It is stated at the office of the company that Mr. Farwell's condition is in no way attributable to the actions of ex-Treasurer Miles.

The Manitoba School Case.

London, Jan. 22.—Solicitor-General Fitzpatrick and Lawyer Russell of Manitoba, who were charged with the mission of presenting the Manitoba school case to the vatican, have started for Rome. They are the bearers of a full statement of the Manitoba school situation, which they have just completed and will present to the pope.

Awarded a Medal of Honor.

Washington, Jan. 22.—A medal of honor has been awarded to Michael Dougherty, late private in company M, Thirteenth Pennsylvania cavalry, for most distinguished gallantry in action at Jefferson, Va., Oct. 12, 1863.

Americans Married Abroad.

London, Jan. 22.—Miss Anna Johnston was married at Kensington, at noon, to Harvey Childs of Pittsburg, Pa., in which city the bride also belongs.

TO COERCE THE TURK

England Makes a Proposition to the European Powers.

ITALY AND AUSTRIA ACCEPT THE PLAN

Force Repugnant to the Czar, But He Finally Agrees To Yield if the Other Powers Were Unanimous---Germany and France's Position.

London, Jan. 22.—The government has issued a blue book containing official correspondence in regard to the projected reforms in Turkey. The correspondence shows that on Sept. 23 last Lord Salisbury proposed that the powers take measures to enforce their proposals, and that in the event of unwillingness on the part of any power to assume its share in the coercive measures applied that power should not oppose the action of any other. Austria gave her assent to this proposition without qualification, and later Germany assented, with the proviso that any coercive action taken by the powers against Turkey must be unanimous, and, further, that the integrity of the Ottoman empire must be maintained. Italy gave her absolute assent to the proposal, but Russia objected to any scheme which involved the application of coercion to make it operative. Interposing this objection M. Shishkin, then the head of the foreign office, stated that coercive action was repugnant to the czar. In reply to this Lord Salisbury expostulated with the Russian minister, saying that it would be useless for the powers to make further concerted representations to the porte in regard to reforms unless they were prepared to enforce their proposals. On Nov. 24 M. Shishkin wrote to Lord Salisbury, saying that the czar had agreed to consider the question of coercion if the sultan should prove recalcitrant and the other powers were unanimously in favor of resorting to coercion. About the end of December France gave a similar assent to measure of coercion to that of of Russia. Austria and Italy reaffirmed their adhesion to the plan of action. Lord Salisbury's correspondence on the subject closes with a letter dated Jan. 2.

Yale-Harvard Treaty of Peace.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 22.—The management of Yale university navy deny that any part of the statement sent out by a press association, in effect that plans for a resumption of athletic relations by Yale and Harvard have been abruptly closed. Capt. Bailey of Yale said that Capt. Goodrich of the Harvard crew has been here, and they freely discussed the situation, and that Yale has no thought of breaking off plans for arranging a race for this year. He says that, while nothing conclusive has been decided upon, everything at Yale is promising for an early signing of a treaty of peace with Harvard and for completing arrangements for a boat race this spring.

Death of Henry Asher.

New York, Jan. 22.—Henry Asher, proprietor of the Lackawaxen house, Lackawaxen, Pa., died there yesterday of heart disease. His wife died a short time ago on an Erie train while returning from her daughter's in New York city, and Mr. Asher, who was with her, never recovered from the shock. He was 66 years of age and was born in Westphalia. He served in the Crimean war, and at its close came to America.

Papal Reception to Roman Nobles.

Rome, Jan. 21.—The pope gave a reception yesterday to the Roman aristocracy, headed by Prince Ruspoli. His holiness addressed his guests and recalled the old ties of the nobility to the vatican, inciting them to do everything in their power to preserve and support the church.

Pennsylvania Republican Clubs.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 22.—The executive committee of the Republican State League of clubs has selected Williamsport, September 8 and 9, as the place and time for the next annual convention. Williamsport received twenty votes against seven for Wilkesbarre.

Samuel Weiland Convicted.

New Bloomfield, Pa., Jan. 22.—The trial of Samuel Weiland, charged with placing obstructions on the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad with the object of wrecking trains, ended yesterday in his conviction. Sentence was deferred.

Surgeon-General Tryon Promoted.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Surgeon-General Tryon has been promoted to the highest rank in the naval medical corps, filling the vacancy caused by the retirement of Medical Director Wells.

Fourth-class Postmasters.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The following fourth-class postmasters have just been appointed in Pennsylvania: Mrs. M. E. Fennock, Chesterville; Levi Weinhold, Muddy Creek.

For Payment of Pensions.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Secretary Francis has called upon the treasury department for $13,150,000 for quarterly payments of pensions at agencies.

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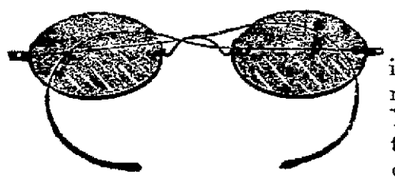

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SAVED FROM DROWNING.

The Heroism of a Miller in Rescuing a Little Girl.

The brave work of a miller in saving a little girl from drowning is described by the Indianapolis Journal. The mill-owner and his wife, it appears, had gone to the city, leaving an eight-year-old girl at home. With other children she went down to the mill to play, and by some accident fell into the sluice which feeds the turbine wheel.

The head miller heard a scream, and not knowing what had happened, applied a brake and stopped the machinery. Then he ran out, found the little girl just disappearing under the water, and in he went after her.

Then he found himself in a hard place. The water was eight feet deep, and he was four feet below the top of the sluice, the sides of which were as smooth as a polished floor. The girl was unconscious. How was he to get her out?

It took one hand to hold her head above water, and the other to keep himself from sinking. He must try to throw her out, and this, by a great effort, he did. But the rebound drove him under water and against the wheel, where he was in great danger of being caught and held. He came up again, however, and now a new difficulty confronted him. How was he to get out himself? He sank to the bottom, gave an upward spring, and as he came up half-blinded, succeeded in catching the top of the sluice. Then, by the greatest exertions, he drew himself out.

The girl was still unconscious, but by vigorous measures was at last revived.

PERSONNEL OF THE NAVY.

Desertions from Uncle Sam's Ships Are Few and Far Between.

The report from Washington to the effect that 4,000 bluejackets are needed to man the new vessels of the American navy about to go into commission recalls a remark made by Admiral Bunce one day last summer, says the New York Mail and Express. The North Atlantic squadron lay at anchor off Staten Island and Father Knickerbocker and his country visitors were going down to quarantine daily to look at the splendid fighting ships. A reporter went aboard the flagship one morning and enjoyed a pleasant chat with the gallant admiral. Said he:

"The type of man-of-war's-man of to-day is far different from the old-time bluejacket. Desertions are almost unknown from the navy now. Here is a vessel which cost in round numbers $2.000.000. The men consider it their home and they take an immense amount of pride in it. How many men are there ashore who can sleep and eat in a house which cost as much money? Look about you and note the faces of the bluejackets here."

The sailormen in sight were certainly a fine-looking lot. The admiral surveyed them admiringly and then said: "So far as the personnel of the crew goes the vessels in the American navy are away ahead of those of any foreign power."

DISCREDITING THE HUMANITIES.

The College Bought "Mugs of the Old Greek Duffers."

It is charged, with a good deal of vigor and generality of statement, that the college fills the mind with useless knowledge and trains it in antiquated methods of thought and action, says the Forum. In the same breath it is added that the scientific school gives practical knowledge and that its training is vital. The comparison between the dead languages and the modern is made—always to the credit of the modern. The value of modern history and of economic science is made to appear greater than that of ancient history and of philosophy. Scientific studies are lauded as by far the most precious. The humanities are discredited. I remember hearing at a hotel table a conversation between two recent graduates of the scientific school of a rich and famous university. "Mr. ——," said one, "gave several thousand dollars for any use the officers wished to make of the money. And what do you think they did with it? Why, instead of buying something useful, they spent it all in buying some mugs of the old Greek duffers." It was evident that the study of the humanities had not seriously influenced the manners nor the linguistic tastes of the graduates in question.

CRUSOE'S ISLAND DISAPPEARS.

Reported Sinking of Juan Fernandez Land by Volcanic Action.

A few weeks ago a vessel putting in at Lisbon after a trip around Cape Horn, reported the destruction by volcanic action of the Juan Fernandez island, famous as the scene of "Robinson Crusoe." The master claimed to have seen the catastrophe from the deck of his vessel. The report was not given credence at the time by scientific men, and many denials were printed in papers and magazines. But Capt. Powells, of the British ship James Kerr, asserts that the story is generally believed by seafaring men all over the world. The James Kerr has recently arrived from Newcastle, N. S. W., where she was laid up four months on account of the coal mine strike. Capt. Powells met a very large number of master mariners there, and says that the destruction of the island was a matter of common gosisp among them. The captain himself has not passed within sight of the island since 1889, when he secured a photograph of it from the deck of his ship. He says that some of the captains who arrived in Newcastle while he was there verified the report, that the island was missing.

Market for Railroad Ties.

It takes each year 200,000 acres of forest to supply crossties for the railroads of the United States. It takes 15,000,000 ties to supply the demand, for which the contractors get on an average 35 cents apiece, making in the aggregate $5,250,000.

FASHION IN INSTRUMENTS.

Beautiful Irish Harps to Be the Vogue This Season.

There is a fashion in musical instruments so far as the English young woman is concerned which compels changes as sudden and sweeping as those which take place in regard to the same young women's bonnets and hats. Of course all of them who have pretensions to being considered what is vaguely termed "musical" reckon among their accomplishments the ability to play the piano, and they do not disdain to devote the surplus of their musical ability to instruments of a more portable kind. For a time it was the banjo, then the mandolin, then, taking a flight upward, the violin itself was degraded into the position of a "fashionable" instrument, dividing its claims with the violoncello. We are said to be now on the eve of another change. According to Music, the instrument which is to be in vogue this winter is the Irish harp, which many young women belonging to the very smartest society are said to be already industriously practicing. It is not the large and rather unwieldy thing we are wont to see in the street orchestras, but a beautifully finished and decorated little instrument, some 30 inches in height, and about the weight of a banjo. It is, in fact, the article which the minstrel boy slung behind him when, with his father's sword girded on, he set forth on that bellicose expedition of which the ballads tell us. The tone of the Irish harp is said to be particularly sweet, though a little thin.

BESSIE'S GREAT SACRIFICE.

She Felt Sorry for a Baby Who Had No Doll.

The stockings had been hung up and the little ones gathered around the hearth to hear mamma tell the story of the Babe of Bethlehem, says the New York World. Their small faces expressed profound sympathy when they heard how the Son of God was born in a stable, how He lay on a bed of straw, how He shivered in the cool December night and how His life was in danger from the wicked Herod. Little Bessie seemed to be particularly impressed. She said nothing, but one could see that she was thinking hard.

When, half an hour later, mamma came to Bessie's bed to kiss her good night, she found the child pressing her doll to her bosom and gazing at it with unutterable affection. As she stooped over the bed Bessie looked up and asked, earnestly: "Mamma, ain't God's baby got any dolly?"

"No," replied the mother, smiling. Bessie looked at her doll again and hugged it. Then conflicting emotions showed themselves on the little face. After a long silence the child raised her eyes, which had such an expression as those of the martyrs must have worn at the stake, and said, firmly: "Take it to Him, mamma."

Closing her eyes tight Bessie laid the doll in her mother's hands and buried her face in the pillow to try to forget the great sacrifice she had made.

One Letter Omitted.

"Did you ever hear of singing insects?" she asked.

"Singing?" he said, interrogatively.

"Yes. I have just been reading an article to the effect that there are insects that sing."

It was only after he had given the matter his thoughtful attention for something like six or eight minutes, during which his mind reverted to experiences at a number of summer resorts, that he suggested:

"It must be a typographical error. There's evidently a *t* missing from the word."—Chicago Post.

INTENSE SUFFERING.

FROM DYSPEPSIA AND STOMACH TROUBLE.

Instantly Relieved and Permanently Cured by Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

A New Discovery, But Not a Patent Medicine.

Dr. Redwell relates an interesting account of what he considers a remarkable cure of acute stomach trouble and chronic dyspepsia by the use of the new discovery, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

He says: The patient was a man who had suffered to my knowledge for years with dyspepsia. Everything he ate seemed to sour and create acids and gases in the stomach: he had pains like rheumatism in the back, shoulder blades and limbs, fullness and distress after eating, poor appetite and lost of flesh; the heart became affected, causing palpitation and sleeplessness at night.

I gave him powerful nerve tonics and blood remedies, but to no purpose. As an experiment I finally bought a fifty cent package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and gave them to him. Almost immediate relief was given and after he had used four boxes he was to all appearances fully cured.

There was no more acidity or sour watery risings, no bloating after meals, the appetite was vigorous and he has gained between 10 and 12 pounds in weight of solid, health flesh.

Although Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are advertised and sold in drug stores yet I consider them a most valuable addition to any physician's line of remedies, as they are perfectly harmless and can be given to children or invalids or in any condition of the stomach with perfect safety, being harmless and containing nothing but vegetable and fruit essences, pure pepsin and Golden Seal.

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is never done." The poet who wrote that line was sane on this one subject in any event. Woman's work is never done, and she should have every aid possible to lighten her labors. A dollar's worth of handy helpers in the kitchen will save many steps and much strength. We have the handy helpers here—you may have them for very little money.

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If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

Casino Theatre.

Mr. Lea is pleased to announce to the public that he has rented the Casino for one night, viz:

Saturday, Jan. 23,

for the purpose of introducing to the lovers of minstrelsy the famous

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Come and witness the performance. Observe the reduced Prices for this date only

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Remember the best Reserved Seats are only 50c. Chart open on Wednesday morning. Don't wait but secure your seats at once. No dead heads.

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with all the elaborate appointments that aided in making Miss Fuller's engagements a success in New York, Philadelphia and Washington.

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Monday Evening, Jan. 25th

The society event of the season. Engagement extraordinary.

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and a thorough metropolitan cast in Alexander Dumas' celebrated play,

MT. SALEM.

Gone to Tennessee—Seriously Ill—Recovering from His Injuries—Many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mrs. G. B. Elston and daughter Millie, left, Tuesday morning, for Tennessee to visit her family and friends and especially a sick brother. Mr. Elston accompanied them as far as Washington, D. C.

—I. Corwin, of New York city, is at his father-in-law's, Ransom Wilcox, on the Mountain Road. He is confined to his bed by illness of a serious nature.

—Mrs. Bowdoine Courtright is still confined to her bed by illness and is improving very slowly, if at all.

—Perry Moore, who was injured so badly injured by a train at Unionville, is still at Van Sickle's hotel and is allowed to sit up only a few minutes at a time, but it is confidently hoped he will entirely recover from his serious injuries.

—If the person who picked up a red flannel lined blanket lost from a carriage between Unionville and Westtown, a few days ago, will leave it with Dr. Evans at Westtown or at the Unionville post office he will make the owner very thankful and happy.

—Farmers have been gathering ice, but have not yet harvested a full supply for summer use.

—P. H. Hoyt, of Jamestown, N. Y., made a short visit to friends in this vicinity and Middletown, last week.

—Mrs. S. L. Rhoades and daughter, of New York city, returned to their home, last week, after a ten days' visit to relatives and friends here and at Port Jervis.

—The relatives and friends of Dr. G. A. Elston, of Corry, Pa., are very sorry to hear of his serious illness, which will necessitate a trip to New York and an operation before his recovery is assured. He will start for the city as soon as he is able to stand the journey.

MOUNT HOPE.

A Church Social—The Sick List—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Elliott Halstead, of New York city, was the guest of his mother on Tuesday.

—Mrs. Oscar Conkling, of Basking Ridge, was the guest of her cousins, Rev. and Mrs. Luther Littell, at the parsonage for a few days last week.

—Miss Roxie Smith, of Middletown, spent a few days with her cousin, Anna Greenleaf, recently.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Courtright were called to Goshen on business, Monday, and Miss Kate Woodward had charge of the school for the day.

—Hudson Everett, of Goshen, was a guest at his father's home, Saturday night.

—Rev. and Mrs. Luther Littell attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Tyrell, on Saturday afternoon.

—Mrs. Emeretta Hulse, of Deckertown, is a guest at her father's home near Maple Dale.

—There will be a dime sociable at the home of Mrs. Lydia Moore, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 26th. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the church.

—Among those on the sick list in this vicinity are H. L. Everett, Wm. Forbes, Mrs. Charles Mapes and Mrs. Sarah Woodward.

—Mrs. David Hull and Mrs. Charles Ketcham were guests of Miss Izola Ketcham, on Thursday.

SLATE HILL.

Preaching in the Old School Baptist Church—A Prosperous Concern.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Elder J. D. Hubbell, of Kelley's Corners, Delaware county, N. Y., is expected to preach at the Brookfield Baptist Church, on Sunday next, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

—The Crescent Manufacturing Co. is fitting up a new machine in its factory in order to meet and fill the increased orders for steel letters and figures that come in from different parts of the country.

There Is Nothing So Good.

There is nothing just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, so demand it and do not permit the dealer to sell you some substitute. He will not claim there is anything better, but in order to make more profit he may claim something else to be just as good. You want Dr. King's New Discovery because you know it to be safe and reliable, and guaranteed to do good or money refunded. For Coughs, Colds, Consumption and for all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs, there is nothing so good as is Dr. King's New Discovery. Trial bottle free at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00.

A Famous German Doctor's Work.

Consumption is now known to be curable if taken in time—the German remedy known as Otto's Cure, having been found to be an almost certain cure for the disease. Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup, Coughs, Colds, Pneumonia and all throat and lung diseases are quickly cured by Dr. Otto's Great German Remedy. Sample bottles of Otto's Cure are being given away by our agent, J. J. Chambers, 57 North street. Large sizes 25 and 50 cents.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. W. D. Olney.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such companions take DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. W. D. Olney.

MISSED A GOOD THING.

But Found the Cause Lay in the Kitchen

"A man will be kept out of a good thing by a very small matter sometimes.

"I consider my body my best friend, as when it is well I can make money, eat, sleep and enjoy life, while I can do neither of these when I am not in good physical health, therefore I try to use good common sense and keep my body well.

"Finding that coffee was most too heavy for me, even producing pronounced indigestion at times, I determined to try this Postum Cereal Food Coffee awhile, as I understood from my physician that it was perfectly digestible, and was made of the albumen, gluten and phosphates of wheat that nature needs to build in the gray matter with which the nerve cells must be filled to maintain health. Well, the first morning it came on the table it looked like a thin kind of pale coffee and tasted like a namby-pamby sort of children's drink. I was much disappointed and thoroughly disgusted and went back to hot water and milk. One day at a friend's I drank some rich, deep, clear, brown coffee and enjoyed it greatly, passing up for a second cup. When I was told it was Postum Cereal Food Coffee, you can depend I quickly saw I had been kept out of a good thing for some weeks, because the first trial had been ruined in the kitchen. I had some prepared strictly according to directions (and that is easy) and now I have my Food Coffee every morning and evening, and I am getting steadier and sturdier every day of my life. Take an old man's advice and don't let a cook's single failure keep you out of a good thing."

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There are many weak imitations of Postum Cereal Food Coffee offered "as just as good." See the red seals, "It makes red blood," on the genuine package.

POWER OF A WOMAN'S WORD.

It Overcame the Wrath of an Unfeeling Policeman.

The following pretty story is taken from the New York Mail and Express, and is good enough to stand by itself.

He was only an Italian fruit-vender. There was nothing about him at all likely to inspire the beholder with feeling, one way or another. He was not ragged enough to call for especial sympathy, nor unkempt enough to provoke disgust. Yet to the policeman on his beat he was undoubtedly the object of considerable aversion. This was shown by the unrelenting vigor with which the fruit-seller was pursued from corner to corner by the zealous guardian of the law.

The other day, in a too hurried response to the everlasting order to "move on," the peddler's cart was upset, and his peaches and pears were scattered over the ground and across the street car track. The enraged policeman could barely restrain the impulse to use his club.

"The dirty loafer!" he exclaimed. "He did it on purpose—just trying to excite sympathy!"

"He has succeeded, then," said a soft voice at the officer's elbow, and a neat little woman stooped and began to gather up the scattered fruit.

The officer's face reddened. He hesitated a moment, and then he, too, joined in the work of restoration.

Ferns in the House.

A bit of living green in a room from which none can be seen through the window often proves a positive joy. A fernery is the easiest thing in the world to manage. It does not require either sunshine or constant attention, but with a little care now and then gets on beautifully almost by itself. The fern case must be long and deep enough not to crowd the plants, and built of sufficiently heavy glass to keep the heat of the room from penetrating it. The oblong style has been found to be the most convenient shape, as it will stand solidly upon a table in any out-of-the-way corner, and not topple over at every jar. The framework may be of wood or iron, iron preferably, as the wood absorbs considerable of the moisture that should go to the plants. A good depth of rich soil should be put in and the ferns set as thickly as one wishes. Of course the earth must be kept moist always, but there need be little or no sunshine.—St. Louis Republic.

Some Comical Bulls.

A very absent-minded German professor named Johannes Amer, lately died at Vienna, and the following are a few of his remarkable bulls:

"Julius Caesar, disguised as a slave, swam naked across the Tiber."

"Covered with innumerable wounds, Caesar fell dead near Pompey's statue; with one hand he covered his face with his toga, with the other he called for help."

The Bayards to Visit Wales.

London, Jan. 22.—Ambassador and Mrs. Bayard will visit the Prince and Princess of Wales at Sandringham tomorrow.

Bucklin's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Better, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents a box. For sale by McMonagle & Rogers.

CHICORA, Pa., "Herald:" Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vensel said it assisted his children through a very bad seige of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectoration very easy and rapid. W. D. Olney.

CONTAGIOUS CURRENCY.

Disease Germs Found on Coins and Bank Notes.

One of the Most Serious Menaces to Public Health—Various Ways in Which the Germs Are Transferred.

Public attention has never been directed in an adequate manner to the dangers which exist in the careless handling of money. Owing to its rapidly circulating nature and to the many uncleanly places in which it is constantly being concealed and carried, the coin of the realm possesses advantages in the dessemination of infectious diseases not inherent in any other object of public utility. For this reason it should be regarded as a possible source of contagion at all times, and should be handled with the most serious consideration. But instead of applying sanitary or common-sense methods to the necessarily numerous personal contacts with the circulating medium, the majority of people show less discretion in its use than in any other habit of life. Business men unconsciously dampen their fingers in their mouths when running through a package of bills, passengers in the street cars hold nickels in their lips, and shoppers neglect cuts or abrasions on the fingers which touch quantities of change. Yet all of these foolish oversight may prove as serious as the careless handling of a firearm. In both cases the excuse is the same: "Didn't know it was loaded." Recent experiments prove that practically all of the older coins and bills in circulation are thoroughly tainted with diseases of more or less malignant types. Molds and fungi of numerous varieties; cocci, which included all of the more deadly blood-poisoning germs, and bacilli of several possibly dangerous kinds were all found in a few samples, while the chance of detecting the organisms of the greater number of the contagious diseases was prevented by the conditions of the experiment. More complete and extended tests would doubtless have shown even more startling results, while the possibility of finding germs of an epidemic nature, even in the present state of the city's health, was admitted by the bacteriologists conducting the investigation.

This contaminated condition of the money in circulation may well be considered one of the most serious menaces to the public health. Yet a few simple and common sense precautions will remove the greater part of the danger. Clean the unscarred hands, or gloves worn while shopping, a reasonable degree of care in holding money, and above all an avoidance of putting coins, bills, or fingers in the mouth or on the lips while engaged in commercial pursuits, are easy ways to procure safety. With these simple methods of obtaining security ready at hand the present widespread violations of sanitation must result either from profound ignorance or from an almost criminal degree of carelessness.—Chicago Tribune.

THE "CHRISTMAS FACE."

Type of Countenance Seen in Holiday Shopping Times.

The "Christmas face" has become a distinctive feature of modern life—as much so as the "bicycle face." It makes its appearance annually a few weeks before the holidays, and gradually disappears toward spring. It can now be seen on thousands of restless women who wander anxiously up and down the crowded streets, toiling from window to window, pushing their eager ways into the dense knots of humanity and staring with hungry eyes at the Christmas gifts displayed.

It is seen in the big stores where the shopper threads her weary way through endless aisles and handles over the huge piles of Christmas offerings in search of "something suitable."

It takes weeks of riding through crowded streets to acquire the "bicycle face," but the "Christmas face" usually begins to assume fixed lines after two days' shopping, and at the end of a week the earnest and energetic seeker after bargains has developed a look of anxious, restless and painful expectancy bordering on mild insanity.

The "Christmas face" is easily distinguished. The eyes are never in repose. They roll from side to side and take on a haunted, hungry look as they peer into the shop windows and lay bare the innermost secrets of bargain counters. They rove over bewildering acres of fancy work and shrink with bloodshot terror as they gaze into the seas of blue and green and yellow "art works" displayed in the fake Christmas stores. Often they light up with hopeful tenderness as they rest lovingly upon some rare bit of artistic beauty in metal, oil, or fabric, but quickly darken with despair when the price ticket is displayed.

The mouth assumes a hardened expression. The lips are tightly drawn into sour and sternly bitter curves at the corners. The lines of the cheeks are sunken, and the brows are heavy with doubt, and deeply corrugated. The chin is pushed out at an angle of about 20 degrees, and the entire countenance betokens varying shades of sickening anxiety, deferred hope and pathetic martyrdom, all blended into a sort of fixed and vacuous insanity.—Chicago Tribune.

Apples Stewed Whole.

Take six large red apples, wash carefully and put in a fruit kettle with just enough boiling water to cover. Cover the kettle, and cook slowly until the apples are soft, with the skins broken and the juice a rich red color. After removing the apples, boil the juice to a sirup, sweeten and pour over the apples.—Good Health.

Detected in a clothing store at Frankfort, Ky., a burglar wound a coat about his head and, jumping through a plate-glass window, escaped.

IT NEVER FAILS.

A Professional Nurse in Middletown says it is Wonderful—The Top Notch of Records Reached.

Mrs. A. M. Ryerson a professional nurse living at No. 7 Oak street, was interviewed by Doan's representative a short short time ago. The lady kindly furnished the appended statement. "I think Doan's Kidney Pills the most wonderful preparation ever compounded. For years I have been troubled with kidney and urinary disease, but about three years ago it developed into lumbago. When I rose in the morning my back was always lame. I had to assist myself when moving about by grasping hold of objects, for at least an hour or so. When I had one of my bad spells, which generally lasted about ten days, I completely gave up. If I caught cold it settled in my back; Often when lifting a patient my back would give out and I could not walk for an hour afterwards for pain. I tried everything I heard about and read about for it. Some of them relieved me for a short time and then the old complaint came back again. As a last resort I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. About the third dose I noticed an improvement and soon the pain left. I can get up in the morning and move around as briskly as I please without feeling either an ache or a pain. The urinary difficulty is also removed. I feel that I cannot praise Doan's Kidney Pills too much. I have recommended them to a number of people and I shall always do so.

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cents per box. Foster—Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Sent by mail on receipt of price. For sale by all dealers.

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES

M. Guerville Says an Alliance Has Been Agreed To by the Two Governments.

London, Jan. 22.—A dispatch to the Central News from Madrid says that M. Guerville, who accompanied the Japanese staff officers during the late Chinese-Japanese war, delivered a lecture last night before the Madrid Geographical society. In the course of his lecture he dwelt upon Japan's growing power and the change which occurred in her position among the nations of the world, laying particular stress upon her political relations with other powers. He asserted that she and the United States had agreed to conclude an alliance, a fact, he declared, which justified the uneasiness felt regarding her attitude in the Philippine islands, where she had initiated hostility to Spain, her aspiration being to possess the islands. M. Guerville gave no authority for his assertion regarding an alliance between the United States and Japan, and, outside of those who are incensed against the United States for her attitude on the Cuban question, no reliance is placed in his statement.

British Guiana Gold Output.

Colon, Colombia, Jan. 22.—The official returns of the output of the gold mines of British Guiana for the year 1896 show that it was in excess of $2,250,000.

Newark Board of Trade Dinner.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 22.—The annual dinner of the Newark board of trade was held last night. Assistant Secretary of the Navy McAdoo, United States Senators Sewell and Smith, Congressman Pitney and Mayor Seymour responded to toasts.

Ohio Miners' Strike Ends.

Columbus, O., Jan. 22.—The miners' strike in the Jackson district is at an end, the miners returning to work at the old rate of fifty-one cents, the same as is being paid at present in the Hocking valley.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Market steady, but weak trading. March, 89c.; May, 85¾c.; July, 82½c.

Corn—Lower; steady; quiet. May, 30c.; July, 31¼c.

Oats—Market steady; dull trading. May, 22½c.

Eggs—Steady; moderate demand. State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 16@16½c.; ice house, 12@13c.; western, fresh, 15@15½c.; limed, 13; southern, 14¾@15¼c.

Pork—Market steady; trade quiet. Extra prime, nominal. short clear, $8.75@10.25; mess, $8.50@9.00; family, $9.50@10.00

Lard—Steady; moderate demand. Prime western, $4.25.

Butter—Choice firm; fair demand. Creamery western extras, 20c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 14@19c.; creamery, western seconds, 16c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 18c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made extras, 10@15c.; western imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 11@16c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 8½@11c.

Cheese—Market firm; fair demand. cream, large size, fall made, colored, 11½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 3@7¾c.

Potatoes—Market quiet; old prices. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.25@$1 50; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, 50c. @$1.12.

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Is especially true of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small space. They are a whole medicine chest, always ready, always efficient, always satisfactory; prevent a cold or fever, cure all liver ills, sick headache, jaundice, constipation, etc. 25c. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla

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Have a reputation known to many who take advantage of our Low Prices. The Shoes we offer comprise goods of the best manufacturers. We propose to close out all Odd Lots of Shoes at prices that will do it quickly. Shoes that we sold for $2, $3 and $4 going for

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For Bilious and Nervous disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fullness and Swelling after meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c., when these symptoms are caused by constipation, as most of them are. THE FIRST DOSE WILL GIVE RELIEF IN TWENTY MINUTES. This is no fiction. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one Box of these Pills and they will be acknowledged to be

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BEECHAM'S PILLS, taken as directed, will quickly restore Females to complete health. They promptly remove obstructions or irregularities of the system. For a

Weak Stomach Impaired Digestion Disordered Liver

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WITHOUT A RIVAL.

Annual Sales more than 6,000,000 Boxes

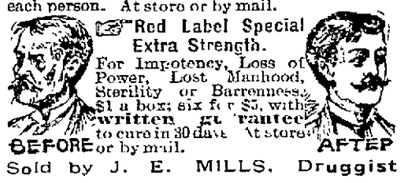
25c. at Drug Stores, or will be sent by U.S. Agents. B. F. ALLEN CO., 365 Canal St., New York, post paid, upon receipt of price. Book free upon application.

Health is Wealth.

DR. E. C. WEST'S
NERVE AND BRAIN TREATMENT

THE ORIGINAL, ALL OTHERS IMITATIONS,

Is sold under positive **Written Guarantee**, by authorized agents only, to cure Weak Memory, Dizziness, Wakefulness, Fits, Hysteria, Quickness, Night Losses, Evil Dreams, Lack of Confidence, Nervousness, Lassitude, all Drains, Youthful Errors, or Excessive Use of Tobacco, Opium, or Liquor, which leads to Misery, Consumption, Insanity and Death. At store or by mail, $1 a box; six for $5; with **written guarantee to cure or refund money. Sample package**, containing five days' treatment, with full instructions, 25 cents. One sample only sold to each person. At store or by mail.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For Impotency, Loss of Power, Lost Manhood, Sterility or Barrenness, $1 a box; six for $5, with written guarantee to cure in 30 days. At store or by mail.
BEFORE
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SUPREME Court, county of Orange, N. Y.—Mary C. Selleck, plaintiff, against Isaac S. Little and Georgianna Little, his wife, Fannie J. Smith, Harlan P. Little and Mary Little, his wife, Alfred M. Selleck and Mary Selleck, his wife; Sarah E. Selleck, George W. Selleck, Mary Jane Mills, Helen Augusta Bell and William Bell, her husband, Charles Mills and Mary Mills, his wife; Fannie J. Currie, Ethelbert Selleck and Hester A. Selleck, his wife, Isaac Selleck and Mary Selleck, his wife, defendants.

To the above named defendants and each of them:—You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial to be held in the county of Orange, N. Y.

Dated this ninth day of December, 1896.

GEO. H. DECKER, Plaintiff's Attorney, office and postoffice address, 14 East Main street, Middletown, N. Y.

To Isaac S. Little, Georgianna Little, Fannie J. Smith, Harlan P. Little, Mary Little, Helen Augusta Bell, William Bell and Fannie J. Currie:—The foregoing summons is served upon you, by publication, pursuant to an order of Hon. M. H. Hirschberg, Justice of the Supreme Court, dated the 16th day of January, 1897 and filed with the complaint in the office of the Clerk of the county of Orange, N. Y., at Goshen, N. Y.

GEO. H. DECKER, Plaintiff's Attorney, Middletown, N. Y. dWed7tMch3

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A. E. NICKINSON, - - }

It has often been said that we are becoming a nation of beer drinkers, and the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue confirms the statement. Last year, the enormous quantity of 25,826,098 barrels of beer was made in this country, an increase of 2,261,687 barrels over 1895. The production of spirits shows no corresponding increase, and it may therefore be assumed that beer is taking the place of more potent liquors, which is a distinct advance in the direction of temperance.

The Albany *Journal*, one of the most ultra Republican papers in the State, disgusted and alarmed at the number of strike bills that have been introduced in the Legislature, reads the mercenary and venal legislators a lecture, in the course of which it tells some very plain truths. It says that "lunacy has seized upon certain Republican members of the Legislature" and that they "have introduced measures looking to the confiscation of property which might make even William J. Bryan gasp." It adds that the conduct of the Legislature is "the worst in years" and "a disgusting spectacle" and charges that Republican members have cared for their friends by loading down the Capitol pay rolls with unnecessary and incompetent employes. The *Journal* commends Gov. Black for his avowal of a purpose to enforce strict economy in appropriations and to do all in his power to keep down the tax rate, but tells him that nothing short of Spartan firmness can stand against the extravagance on which the Legislature seems bent and the combinations that will be formed to loot the treasury for the benefit of localities. If any one doubted it before, these admissions of the *Journal* ought to satisfy them that the Republican majority in the Legislature is an extra bad lot.

A NOVEL DAMAGE SUIT.

Why a Dutchess County Farmer is Sued for $5,000.

An enterprising Dutchess county lawyer, whose specialty is personal damage suits, has instituted an action against a Dutchess county farmer which carries the doctrine of responsibility for accidents to its extremest limits. The farmer kept a few sheep, and his fences not being lamb-tight, one of the lambs got out on the highway, where plaintiff's horse took fright at its gambols and ran away. The driver was spilled out and the wagon ruined, and $5,000 damages are asked. If the case goes to a jury of farmers it will take them just a fraction of a second to find a verdict for defendant.

WILL SEEK VINDICATION.

Gen. McLewee Will Ask the Legislature to Investigate Gen. McAlpin.

Ex-Inspector General McLewee who was removed by ex-Governor Morton, on the last day of his term of office, has decided to appeal to the Legislature for vindication. He will ask for an investigation of Adj. Gen. McAlpin's administration, to ascertain why $150,000 worth of National Guard property and equipments were not properly accounted for. He also desires to have his report, which was suppressed by Gen. McAlpin, made part of the records of the State.

EAGLE'S BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Good Scores Made by Two Bowlers, Last Night.

The individual bowling tournament for the championship of Eagle Hose Company was continued last evening, at Eagle's bowling alleys.

Edwin Jakely and George Hoffman were the winners of their respective sets, defeating their opponents as follows.

Isaac Martin	127	90	136	119	143—595
Edwin Jakely	101	129	91	135	140—596
A. Zindell	134	148	128	170	137—717
Geo. Hoffman	162	174	146	156	176—774

Gorton's Minstrels To-morrow.

A large audience is expected to be in attendance at the Casino Theatre, to-morrow night to witness the performance of Gorton's Original New Orleans Minstrels which will give a good, clean, old-time minstrel show, with an abundance of novel and first class specialties. As Mr. Lea has to pay $300 for the services of this show we hope he may be successful in his risky undertaking.

The Drum Corps' Dance.

The dance given by the D. P. DeWitt Fife and Drum Corps, at Nearing Hall, last evening, was well attended, the floor being filled with dancers all the evening and the seats for spectators being nearly all occupied.

McWilliams orchestra furnished music and dancing was kept up until 2 o'clock, this morning.

A Handsome Hat Rack.

A handsome hat rack is on exhibition in Cummings' store on North street. It is the property of Peter Kirk and was made by Ananias Oakling. It is of polished ash, paneled with five beveled mirrors. A pair of Rocky Mountain buck's horns adorns the top and another answers for an umbrella rack at the bottom and twenty steer and buffalo horns answer for hat and coat hooks.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve
Cures Piles, Scalds, Burns

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

NO DAMAGES IN THE FOOTBALL SUIT

BY UNITED PRESS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 22.—The Costello-Winston case for $50,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been given by Winston's son to Costello's son in a football game, resulted in a verdict for defendant.

WANTS MONEY TO KEEP OUT THE PLAGUE.

By United Press.

ALBANY, Jan. 22.—Health Officer Doty, of New York, is here seeking an additional appropriation to further his efforts to keep out the plague.

A WIFE MURDERER SENTENCED.

BY UNITED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—Howard Scott, a negro, convicted of the murder of his wife was sentenced, to-day, to be executed during the week beginning March, 15th.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Nancy Carmichael.

Mrs. Nancy, widow of the late Calvin Carmichael, died in Chicago, where she resided with her children, yesterday.

She is survived by the following children: Lorena, Emma, Frank, Mrs. Mira Draper and Mrs. Etta Dodge, all of Chicago, and Dr. Calvin Carmichael, a dentist residing in Newark. A step-daughter, Mrs. Adelia Read, resides in Chicago.

Mrs. Carmichael resided in this city for many years, the family residence being at the corner of West Main and Henry streets, which has been remodeled and converted into a business building by Thomas Watts. After the sale of the homestead she and her daughters, Lorena and Emma, and son, Frank, removed to Chicago and have since made their home there.

The body will arrive on Erie train 8, to-morrow evening. The interment will be at New Vernon, probably on Sunday.

A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

By Mænnerchor Germania in Honor of Its Leader's Anniversary.

Yesterday was the anniversary of the birth of Mr. Obitz, leader of the Mænnerchor Germania, and the event was properly celebrated at Mænnerchor Hall, by the Society, a commerce being held in honor of the occasion.

There was singing, speeches by L. Kern, R. L. Forthoffer, Otto Hock and Mr. Obitz, refreshments in abundance and a good social time was enjoyed by all.

The society presented Mr. Obitz with a piece of statuary, representing the three great composers, Liszt, Beethoven and Wagner. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Kern.

An X Ray Pohtograph of a Broken Arm

Harry C. Ogden took, this morning, an X-Ray photograph of Frank Lea's arm which was broken at the elbow while he was playing foot ball, last fall. The arm has caused Mr. Lea much inconvenience and the photograph was taken to determine whether a splinter of bone which is causing the trouble is loose from or still attached to the bone.

Winter Homes Along the O. and W.

We are in receipt of a copy of the O. and W.'s "Winter Homes," a neat and handsomely illustrated pamphlet, setting forth the advantages and attractions of Liberty as a winter health resort. Among the illustrations are many views of the Loomis Sanitarium.

The Dance at the Armory.

The dance of the 24th Separate Company at the armory, to-night, will be preceded by a concert by the band. The programme follows:

March—Joyce's 71st Regiment	Boyer
Heather Rose—Caprice	Lange
My Dream—Waltzs	Waldteufel
Schottische	J. W. Chattaway
Selection—Bohemian Girl	M. W. Balfe
The Jolly Cowboys—Galop	Hazel

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications as they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever, nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

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Condensed Testimony.

Chas. B. Hood, Broker and Manufacturer's Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equal as a Cough remedy. J. D. Brown, Prop St. James Hotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a cough of two years standing, caused by LaGrippe, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. F. Merrill, Baldwinsville, Mass., says that he has used and recommended it and never knew it to fail and would rather have it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hemming, 222 E 25th St., Chicago, always keeps it at hand and has no fear of Croup, because it instantly relieves. Free Trial Bottles at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

BABY HUMORS

Instant relief for skin-tortured babies and rest for tired mothers in a warm bath with CUTICURA SOAP, and a single application of CUTICURA (ointment), the great skin cure. The only speedy and economical treatment for itching, burning, bleeding, scaly, and pimply humors of the skin, scalp, and blood.

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"How to Cure Every Baby Humor," mailed free.

BABY BLEMISHES Prevented and Cured by CUTICURA SOAP

ORANGE COUNTY TELEPHONE CO

Annual Meeting of the Stockholders—Directors Elected — Encouraging Report of the President, Dr. Mills.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Orange County Telephone Company was held, yesterday afternoon. The office of the company being in use, the meeting was adjourned to the Board of Trade Rooms. It was organized with J. B. Carson, chairman, and G. A. Swalm, Jr., secretary. C. W. Martin and Howard Evans were made inspectors in the absence of those regularly appointed. The poll resulted in the election of the following Board of Directors for the ensuing year: T. D. Mills, J. E. Iseman, R. C. Tuthill, Jr., Leander Brink, L. V. Sinsabaugh, G. A. Swalm, Jr., J. L. Wiggins, A. B. Wilbur, T. A. Weller, Frank Harding, L. S. Stivers, Wm. A. Marshall.

Prior to the voting for directors, President T. D. Mills, M. D., of the old board of directors, presented to the meeting the official reports and gave a resume of the past year's work of construction and operation.

The central office was opened in February, with 120 instruments in connection. Construction was continued with energy under the efficient management of Geo. G. Otis, the general manager of the company and the demands of the public still keep the work moving; but in November of last year the work of construction was brought up so far as to have connection given to the greater number of applicants for service.

During the year it became apparent that the original plans of the company would not meet the demand the public would make, and the board of directors decided that the most liberal treatment should be accorded its patrons. They therefore increased the plant, making it one-half larger. By virtue of the ability of Mr. Otis' management this work has been accomplished without any increase of the capital stock, or any assessments. The President congratulated the stockholders on the present outlook, there being 246 instruments in use, a prospective income that assured success, a property that is beyond question as good as could be constructed, a service better than ever before given the citizens of Middletown and a prospect of communication with outlying places that will eventually give the patrons of this company as superior a service in this respect as they have learned to know over the now successful city lines.

This company has the satisfaction of being one of the few purely local and successful investments our people have embarked in during recent years.

HYMENEAL.

Oliver—Decker.

From a Wallkill Correspondent.

David R. Oliver, of Campbell Hall, and Miss Edith M. Decker, of Wallkill, formerly of Chattanooga, Tenn., were married, Thursday evening, at 7.30 o'clock, at the home of the groom in Campbell Hall, the Rev. Alexander Gilmore performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Oliver is a charming young woman with many accomplishments, who has many admirers and a host of friends.

Mr. Oliver is a young gentleman who has held a responsible position in Campbell Hall for some time. He has a host of friends, all of whom wish him and his fair bride a long and happy voyage through life.

Turf and Horse Notes.

—It is stated that Charles Backman, of Stony Ford, has sold all his colts to Connecticut parties.

Cures Talk

"Cures talk" in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla, as for no other medicine. Its great cures recorded in grateful, convincing language of grateful men and women, constitute the most effective advertising. Many of these cures are marvelous. They have won the confidence of the people; have given Hood's Sarsaparilla the largest sales in the world, and have made necessary for its manufacture the greatest laboratory on earth. Hood's Sarsaparilla is known by the cures it has made—cures of scrofula, rheumatism and eczema, cures of rheumatism, neuralgia and weak nerves, cures of dyspepsia, liver troubles, catarrh—cures which prove

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills; easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

CARSON & TOWNER.

WE ARE OFFERING BALANCE OF Our Cloak Stock at $3.89 Each.

We want them all sold before Feb. 1st. Our sale of Household Linens is still on. New Spring Ginghams now ready.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

BIG BARGAINS!

In Ready-made Clothing. Remember we allow 25 per cent. off from regular prices for the next thirty days. We want money and the people want the goods at the prices we offer them for. Men's, Youths', Boys' and Children's Hats, Caps, Gloves and Mittens, Underwear, Hosiery and Cardigan Jacket Sweaters.

MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT!

Remember we are offering special inducements to any one wishing an Overcoat, Suit or Extra Trousers made to order. Trunks Satchels, Umbrellas and Rubber Clothing at

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

IT IS FAIR AND GOOD POLICY
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The Folly of Buying the Lowest Quality of Goods.

Goods of Good Quality are Cheap Enough.

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NEW TO-DAY.

Strawberry Pineapples, New Bermuda Onions, Grape Fruit, Choice Flat Celery, Seedless Oranges, Extra Nice Maple Syrup, Fancy Print Butter, Smoked Halibut, Extra Fancy No. 1 and 2 Mackerel, Good Molasses 30 cts. per gallon.

CITY GROCERS.

Bull & Youngblood,
56 North St., Opp. Postoffice.
TELEPHONE CALL No. 55.

If You Have $500 You Can Buy an Elegant House.

IF YOU HAVE $50 YOU CAN BUY AN ELEGANT BUILDING LOT.

If you have an $ at all, you can Buy Meats and Groceries as cheap as can be sold. Best goods and best value for your money at

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TRY OUR
Home-Made Bacon and Hams.

We boil our own Hams, make our own Bologna, Frankfurters, Liver Sausage, etc. Try our Dill Pickles, Salt Herring, Mackerel and all kinds of Cheese.

CITY DELICATESSEN STORE,
NO 45 JAMES STREET.

COATS AND CAPES!

The winter is not over yet, but the season for the sale of Coats and Capes is nearly past. We have only a few left, in good sizes, to dispose of. We would like to see them go before Feb, 1st, therefore see them. If they suit you name your price.

Dress Goods!

A lot of dress lengths to be closed out at one-half the cost to manufacture; all good styles and colors.

Umbrellas!

We re-cover your (old) umbrella while you wait,—ask to see how it is done.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,
No. 27 West Main Street.

FRESH STOCK SICILY CANARY SEED!

The very best the market affords for canary birds. Don't give the sweet singers any kind of seed; quality should be the first consideration. Purchased in original bags and put up in boxes, mixed and plain.

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Nice and fresh Vegetables, Sweet Potatoes, Parsnips, Carrots, Beets, Yellow Turnips, Rutabagas, Celery, Lettuce, Fine Sweet Oranges, Malaga Grapes, Bananas, Best Canned Corn, Tomatoes and Peas in the city; Smoked Halibut and Bloaters.

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PRICES LOWER THAN EVER.

Men's Perfection Overs for Felt Boots $1 a Pair.

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Men's all wool Black Kersey Overcoats only $5. Men's Ulsters $3 and up. Men's Cassimere Pants only $1. Men's Heavy Wool Stockings 9c. Men's Cotton Seamless Socks 5c. Men's Heavy Jersey Outside Shirts 30c. Men's Wamsutta White Shirts 49c. Men's Neckwear 15 cts., others charge 25 cents.

Morris B. Wolf,
10 North Street.

C. E. CRAWFORD FURNITURE CO.

25 Ladies' and Misses' Desks Left Over.

We bought 100 Oak and Birch Ladies' and Misses' Desks for the Holidays. We have 25 left and we will close them out at the rediculously price of

$2.39.

☞Don't all speak at once

C. E. Crawford Furniture Co.

44-46 North Street. Middletown.

WE WANT TO MAKE CLEAR some facts concerning our Pleasant Emulsion Cod Liver Oil. If you are not interested in the subject now, you may be later. The ordinary "dollar" Emulsion measures 12 fluid ounces—say 8⅓ cents an ounce. Our Emulsion measures 16 fluid ounces and the price is 75 cents—less than 5 cents an ounce. Therefore, measure for measure, Our Emulsion is vastly more economical for the buyer. That seems clear enough. Now as to quality Our Emulsion is made from the finest Norwegian Cod Liver Oil—the best in the world, and few Emulsions contain so large a proportion of Oil—none contain more.

We don't buy the Emulsion ready made. WE MAKE IT; then we know how it's made, and we've not been in business 30 years to produce trash. Is our meaning clear?

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Bowker's Poultry Supplies

They are good.
They are pure.
They are cheap.

Bowker's "Animal Meal"

Grit,
Meat Scrap,
Bone Meal,
Ground Bone,
Ground Oyster Shells.

Houston Bros., General Agents

FOR SALE.

The fine farm known as the Sinclair place near Bloomingburgh, in Orange county, on the Newburgh turnpike. The farm contains about 225 acres, 70 acres of which are planted with 11,000 peach trees just coming in full bearing, and nearly $2,000 netted from the crop last year. The farm is in good state of cultivation and will keep fifty cows. Good outbuildings and house contains thirteen rooms. A complete stock of farm implements in good condition will be sold with the farm. This farm has fine water, is well situated, fine view on the Shawangunk Mountains and location an exceptionally healthy one. Will be sold at a bargain.

GARDNER & McWILLIAMS, NO. 25 NORTH S

DAILY ARGUS.

FRIDAY, JAN. 22, 1897.

OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Friday fair; clearing this afternoon or to-night; westerly winds; slightly cooler.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Fronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **33°**: 12 m., **40°**: 3 p. m., **42°**.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Jan. 23.—Gorton's celebrated minstrels under the management of George Lee.
—Jan. 25—"The Princess of Bagdad," at Casino
—Jan. 26—Social Phœnix Engine Co.
—Jan. 28—At Assembly Rooms, "An Evening With Our Grandmothers' Songs," under the auspices of the Universalist Ladies' Aid Society.
—Feb. 1-6—McQuoid Engine Co.'s fair, at Assembly Rooms.
—Feb. 2—Officers' supper Wallkill Engine Co.
—Feb. 2—Animotiscope, at Second Presbyterian Church.
—Feb. 9—Second Schubert Club concert at 1st Congregational Church.
—Feb. 15—Annual ball of Panghcaugnanghsinque Tribe, I. O. R. M., at Assembly Rooms.
—Feb 26—Roberts Harper's illustrated lecture, for benefit of Y. M. C. A., at the Casino.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Bunch of keys found.
—Store room to let by Dill & Cox.
—Rooms to let by Merrill & Burke.
—Balance of cloaks $3.59 at Carson & Towner's
—Best patent flour at C. N. Predmore & Son's.
—Towels 11c up at Geo. B. Adams & Co.'s.
—Cows for sale by Tegeler & Co.
—Spare ribs 8c at Greening's.
—Second term Miss Myers' dancing class Jan 25
—Postum, substitute for coffee, sold by grocers
—Lydia Pinkham—woman's friend.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Free noon day concert to-morrow, by Gorton's gold band.

—Have you secured your seat for Gorton's Minstrels for to-morrow night?

—Margaret Fuller in "The Princess of Bagdad," at the Casino, next Monday evening.

—Robert Curran, the contractor for the iron work for the balcony in the armory, has completed his contract.

—Miss Margaret Fuller will render Dumas' "The Princess of Bagdad," at the Casino, next Monday evening.

—Remember you have the choice of seats for fifty cents for Gorton's Minstrels if you secure them in advance.

—Over 200 enjoyed the revival service at the First Baptist Church, last evening. Remember the meeting to-night at 7:30.

—A canvass of Hancock and vicinity is to be made to ascertain who are willing to help in making the place a summer resort.

—Newburgh's Health Board has adopted plans for a contagious disease hospital, which will be erected on the alms house farm.

—The largest house of the season saw "My Friend from India" at the Casino, last night, and every one present was pleased.

—Macy M. Sweezy, who recently disposed of his laundry in Goshen, will open, next week, a Troy hand laundry at 64 South street.

—Miss Margaret Fuller who will appear at the Casino, next Monday evening, in "The Princess of Bagdad" is winning laurels for her excellent acting.

—Walter Kettle, who was badly burned in the fire which destroyed the Shutterlein block, in Hancock, last week, is doing well and his recovery is now looked for.

—O. P. Davis, of Liberty, has taken charge of Medrick's market, on East Main street. Mr. Davis is a courteous and agreeable gentlemen and hopes to secure his share of business.

—Miss Alice Masten, of Conkling avenue, has a cotton plant four inches high, the seed of which was sent to her by her grandmother from North Carolina. The plant is very thrifty and is a very pretty specimen.

—Wooden & Smith, proprietors of the Honesdale shirt factory, will probably open a branch in a short time at Susquehanna, the Board of Trade of that town having raised a sum of money to secure the plant, etc. The firm agrees to give steady employment to fifty persons for five years.

—The "Grandmothers' Songs" not only interest and entertain, they bless. An eminent musician says:—"It is not the trills or cadenzas that touch the heart, but the joys and troubles, the longings and realizations all conjured up in well-known words." Come and hear them in Assembly Rooms, Jan. 28th.

PERSONAL.

—Frank Hanford, of Jersey City, was in town, to-day.

—Samuel Conklin, of Walden, is in this city, on a few days' visit to his brother, James E. Conklin.

—Mrs. H. B. Schultz, of Port Jervis, is visiting at the residence of her uncle, ex-Alderman Hornbeck.

—Miss Bertha Mikles, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Narrowsburgh for the past three weeks, returned to this city, yesterday.

Face Was Broken Out.

PINE ISLAND, N. Y., Dec. 27, 1896.—"I was taken with sick headache and my face broke out with pimples until it was a complete mass of sores. Two months ago I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and I am now taking the third bottle and have not had a headache since, and my face is entirely free from pimples."—THOS. J. HAMETY.

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WILL NOT COVER MONHAGEN BROOK

Middletown's Representatives Defy Wawayanda's Health Board—Will Do Anything in Reason, but Will Not Be Driven Into Attempting the Impossible—Willing to Straighten and Clean the Stream.

Mayor Stansbury, Mayor-elect Berry, City Attorney J. L. Wiggins and Aldermen Dorrance and Mance, went to Slate Hill, yesterday, to meet with the Board of Health of the town of Wawayanda in response to a notice served upon the Common Council some time ago, in the matter of the nuisance said to be created by the city dumping its sewage into Monhagen brook.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board at which the resolution to notify the city of the proposed action of the Board to impose a penalty of $100 per day for failure to abate the alleged nuisance was read and the city's representatives were given an opportunity to be heard.

Mayor Stansbury and City Attorney Wiggins did the talking for Middletown and Supervisor Bradley and Judge Beattie for Wawayanda. The substance of the remarks of the city's representatives was that the city of Middletown did not desire to do anything detrimental to the citizens of Wawayanda. It is willing to do anything in reason, but under no circumstances will it do or attempt to do anything while the town is in a state of belligerency. If anything is done at all it must be done in a friendly way. That position has been demonstrated by the results of the agitation of this question for the past three or four years, and it ought to be understood by all concerned by this time. The city has never been asked to do anything reasonable, and so far as covering the brook as is now demanded, that will never be done; the town has no legal right to ask it. Even if it was done the first freshet would land the covering of the brook on Supervisor Bradley's flats.

As to the proposition to cover the brook to a point beyond Mr. Bradley's, that would not suit the rest of the citizens: it would suit only Mr. Bradley. Whatever is done in this matter by the city will be for the benefit of the town at large and not for any individuals.

There was considerable talk of straightening and cleaning the brook, which it is believed would allow water to flow freely and would in a great measure remedy the troubles complained of, and some members of the Board apparently acquiesced in this plan.

The Board was reminded by the City Attorney that when the city paid nearly $22,000 to residents of Wawayanda.—some of whom are foremost in these proceedings—for the right to empty sewage into the brook, the city did not agree nor was it asked to pour cologne water into the stream.

The resolution which was outlined in the communication to the Common Council and which it was proposed to pass, was read. The city's representatives stated that the time mentioned in the resolution—thirty days after service of notice—would not be sufficient for the city to do anything towards remedying the difficulty, not even the straightening and cleaning of the brook, and they left with the impression that the original resolution would be adopted by the Board with possibly an extension of the time at which the proposed penalty shall go into effect.

The taxpayers of Wawayanda have already had some experience in the way of increased taxes, caused by the litigation that has been had in attempting to force the city to do what a few citizens are anxious to have done, and the majority of them will doubtless prefer to have this matter settled out of the courts.

If those residents of Wawayanda who received the more than twenty-one thousand dollars paid to them for the right to use the brook as an outlet for our sewer system, will return it to the city it will go a long ways towards paying the cost of remedying the trouble complained of now by some of the persons who shared in the distribution of that money. This they are not likely to do, however. That was blood money, and they'll keep it and let the taxpayers of Wawayanda foot the bills for all litigation that may result from the attempts to compel Middletown to do their bidding.

The meeting was at Green's hall, and all the members of the Town Board of Health were present except Mr. Havens. Judge Beattie was present as counsel for the Board.

A dispatch from Slate Hill, this afternoon, says the orignal resolution, imposing a penalty of $100 per day for every day the city fails to comply with the order of the Board, commencing thirty days after the service of a copy of the resolution upon the city officials was adopted.

This means that within thirty days after notice is served the city must do the impossible,—that is build three miles of sewer large enough to carry the sewage of the city and the water of Monhagen brook including the necessary proceedings for securing the right of way.

If the scheme of the Board of Health can be made to work, it will not be long until property owners in Wawayanda can retire from business and live in luxury, provided, of course, that the town can collect the large sum of money that will accumulate at the rate of $100 per day.

Going to Cuba Next Week.

Stephen Crane, the novelist, passed through this city, to-day, to New York from Port Jervis, where he had been visiting his brother, Judge W. H. Crane. Mr. Crane expects to make another start for Cuba on Monday and hopes the next vessel he sails in will not go to Davy Jones's locker, as did the Commodore on which he made his former start.

SURGEON ASHLEY'S NEW OUTFIT

Prepared to Render Aid to Wounded Members of the 24th—The Hospital Corps' Equipment.

Lieut. M. C. Ashley, Surgeon of the 24th Separate Company, has received the new equipments with which the entire hospital corps of the State are to be supplied. The outfit is complete in every detail and consists of everything necessary for "first aid to the injured."

A case of surgical instruments, eight inches square by two inches deep, contains almost every kind of instrument used by surgeons and was manufactured expressly for the National Guard, the object being to get the greatest number of instruments in the smallest possible space. This case is carried by the surgeon himself.

The senior member of the hospital corps is provided with a haversack, which contains all sorts of necessary bandages, antiseptic dressings, drugs, medicines and surgical instruments too large for the surgeon's case.

The junior member of the hospital corps is also provided with a similar kit. The corps is also equipped with a new stretcher or litter, which is provided with everything possible for the comfort of an injured man.

Heretofore the members of the hospital corps have been unarmed, but the regulations now provide for a large, broad knife with a blade twelve inches long. These are carried in a sheath attached to the belt and will serve as an excellent weapon of defence should occasion require.

The surgical department of the National Guard was never in better condition than it is to-day under the command of Surgeon General Terry.

"THOSE PEOPLE."

Mrs. Margaret C. Jackson's Reading at Campbell Hall.

Mrs. Margaret Crawford Jackson, gave a reading from her book, "Those People," in the church, at Campbell Hall, last night, which was a most pronounced success. She selected for the reading the story of the artist, Edmund Old Stony, who is said to be one of the best characters in the book. Mrs. Jackson's reading of her book in Goshen and Montgomery made a most favorable impression and all who heard her speak of "Those People" as a work of unusual power, inspired by a high purpose and dealing in a masterly way with the great problems of human life. It has not yet been published, nor will it be till the author receives her own terms. It has been warmly praised by great scholars who have seen the manuscript. Mrs. Jackson has been offered engagements to give readings at many places at a distance from her home and will probably accept them.

A Jilted Woman's Suicide.

Miss Christina Schaeffer, aged thirty-seven years, committed suicide in Newburgh, yesterday, by taking Paris green. She told her sister that she wished to die because she had been jilted by the man she loved. Miss Schaefer formerly lived in New York and was visiting her sister. Among her effects are over $500 in money.

Challenged the Professional Pool Champion.

Herman E. Stewart, formerly of Port Jervis, now of Binghamton, has challenged Alfred de Oro, the professional pool champion, for the world's championship. The game will be played in New York or Binghamton about Feb. 15th. Mr. Stewart won several matches in this city some years ago.

One-Third of the Court's Business.

Of the fifteen cases on the calendar of the Sullivan county court, to be held at Monticello, next week, five are against George Wright, formerly of this city, as executor of the estate of the late Anna R. Kling.

Port Jervis as a Crow Roost.

The *Gazette* says that thousands of crows roost at night on Mount William and Point Peter, which overlook Port Jervis. They fly away to Jersey in the early morning, but always return late in the afternoon.

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From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Frank Decker, of Westtown, and Miss Jennie R. Osborn, of Ridgebury, were married at the M. E. parsonage, Wednesday, by Rev. D. F. White.

—Martin Samuels, of Newburgh, is visiting his cousin, Sigismund Samuels, in this village.

—About fifty Goshen people saw "My Friend from India," at the Casino, last night.

—The colored people had a gay time at their concert and cake walk in Purdy's Hall, last night. G. Frederick Van Huff and lady were awarded the prize.

—A jail delivery was frustrated, yesterday, by Deputy Benj. Hull, who discovered in the possession of "Snowball" Hicks and another colored prisoner, John Jackson, a rope made from blankets, with which they hoped to reach the skylight and thence the ground.

—The funeral of the late John J. Heard was largely attended, this morning.

—District Grand Sachem L. B. Myers, of Warwick, installed the recently elected chiefs of the Red Men, last night.

AT THE ARMORY RANGE.

Members of the 24th Who Qualified as Marksmen and Sharpshooters.

The following members of the 24th Separate Company qualified as marksmen at the armory, last evening:

	100	200	300	Tot
Corp. A. E. Nickinson	20	22	22	64
Private Chas. Tepe	17	19	17	53

The following having previously qualified at 100 yards, were successful at 200 and 300 yards:

	200	300	Tot
Private J. F. Dusenberry	21	23	44
" F. Paret	19	18	37
" A. Shafer	18	18	36
Sergt. D. D. Schoonmaker	18	15	33
Private S. Gausman	18	15	33

The following qualified as sharpshooters at the 500 and 600 yards ranges:

	500	600	Tot
Lieut. M. C. Ashley	22	22	44
Private Steedman	22	22	44
" Johnson	21	22	43
" J. E. Decker	22	20	42

LAYING PIPE FOR NEXT FALL.

Town of Wallkill Republicans Hold a Conference in This City.

A conference of Republican politicians of the town of Wallkill was held in this city, yesterday, ostensibly to talk over the candidates for the town officer, but in reality to put up a job to elect delegates, who will be opposed to the nomination of Henry E. Howell for Sheriff, and will vote for Selah H. Strong, of Blooming Grove, who is understood to be Boss Hock's man. The information comes to us from the conference, through a Republican source.

"Billy" Ulrich Convicted of Assault.

It took the jury in the case of "Billy" Ulrich, of Paterson, only a few minutes to find him guilty of the charge of assaulting a New York man named Mooney in his saloon, one night in October. Ulrich was forced to admit having been found guilty of an assault in this city, but said proudly that he was let off after serving only two days of a thirty days' sentence. He was remanded for sentence.

Middletown Braves Visit Goshen Indians.

A delegation of Umpqua Tribe, I. O. R. M., went to Goshen by special car, last evening, to witness the raising to their stumps of the new chiefs of Wawastawa Tribe, 328, of that village. The chiefs were installed by District Deputy Myers, of Tuxedo Tribe of Warwick.

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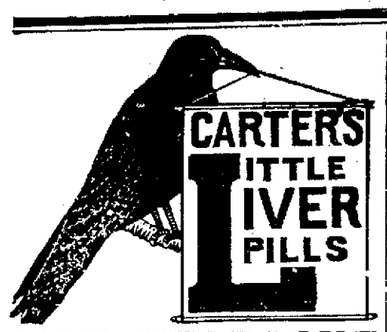

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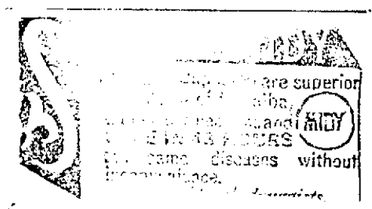

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The Tree Planted by the Prince of Wales in New York.

An Interesting Reminiscence and Reminder of Albert Edward's Visit to the United States in the Fall of 1860.

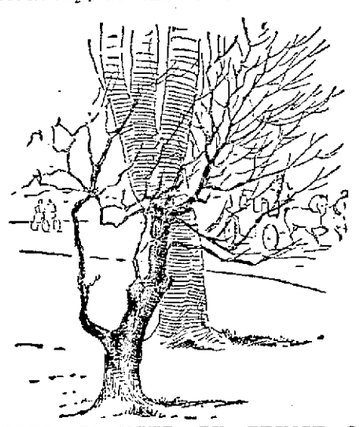
There is a tree in Central park, says the New York Sun, that would become a shrine to lots of people if they knew its history. It was planted by the prince of Wales on his visit to this country in 1860. Very few persons know of the existence of the tree, and it is too scrubby to attract much attention. It stands on the grass plot west of the Mall, right near the south drive, and only a few feet from the bronze eagles. Half the officials and police officers will tell you that it is an oak, and the other half declare that it is an elm. The "oldest inhabitant" says this difference of opinion arises from the fact that his royal highness planted two trees in the park—one an oak and another an elm. One thing is certain, the tree that the sparrow police point out as the prince of Wales tree is an English oak, and a very sorry specimen of that sturdy family.

"It was stunted from the very start, so they say," said a police sergeant half apologetically as he guided a party to the tree.

The tree itself is really not worth the many theories advanced concerning its dwarfed condition, and it looks now as if it would die before its foster father becomes king of England. Bill Nye once said that the prince was a victim to longevity. The same cannot be said of his tree. It is not more than 18 feet high, and appears to have had a crooked start, for the trunk, instead of being straight, bends very much toward the drive.

It certainly is anything but ornamental, and would doubtless have been cut down in the flower of its youth had it been planted by a park gardener instead of by such a distinguished personage. The park gardeners have nourished it on the fat of the land, but for all that it has a hungry look.

Nevertheless, the planting of the little oak was attended with impressive ceremony, so the "oldest inhabitant" says. This is the story: "The prince of Wales reached New York from Philadelphia on Thursday, October 11, 1860. The next day was a perfect October day, clear, crisp and still balmy. About noon the prince and his suite drove out to Central park in carriages.



TREE PLANTED BY PRINCE OF WALES.

"It was just the time of year when the park gardeners were busy planting trees, and a happy thought came to Controller Green. It was to ask the prince to plant an oak and an elm side by side, emblematic of the two nations. He did so, and the prince consented with boyish enthusiasm, so when the royal party drew up at the place I've mentioned, all necessary arrangements had been made for the ceremony.

"There was a notable and pleasing lack of officiousness and bluster. Maj. Gen. Sandford introduced the young prince to President Blatchford, of the park commissioners, whereupon Mr. Blatchford said to him in an informal, but thoroughly dignified way: 'My Lord Renfrew, the commissioners of the Central park, to whom the state of New York has intrusted the construction of this great pleasure ground for the people, have requested me to ask you to do them the favor to plant here two trees, one an English oak, the other an American elm. They trust that these trees will long flourish and remain a lasting memorial of your visit to this city and this park.'

"Controller Green then helped the prince to place the trees in proper position in the holes. A shovel was given to the prince, and with it he threw a few shovels of the dirt around the roots. This he did with winning grace, first planting the elm, then the oak.

"Experts say that the tree cannot live more than a few years. It already has two large holes in it which hold the rain, and it is beginning to show signs of decay. It has fared better, however, than the tree planted by the prince of Wales at Mount Vernon. That died and another was put out in its place, which has grown into a regular forest giant. It is inclosed, and a sign on the inclosure says: 'Planted in place of the tree planted by the prince of Wales.'"

Misrepresenting Others.

The truth that a good man has spoken with the noblest purpose may be changed into a falsehood by simply taking it out of its connection, giving it a different inflection, or attributing to it some motive that was not in the mind of the original speaker. The fair-minded man will always try to represent another as doing and saying what he has reason to believe the other honestly purposed doing and saying. When he reports the words of another, he conscientiously aims to give them the exact connection and circumstances in which they were originally spoken, and then puts upon them the best possible construction, in short, he treats the word and acts of others as he would have others treat his word and acts.

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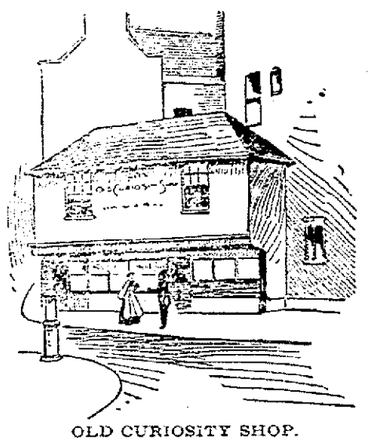
London Board of Works Finally Orders Its Demolition.

About 13 years ago crowds of people flocked to the narrow and crooked little street, known as Portsmouth street, leading from Portugal street to Lincoln's Inn Fields, for a rumor was spread abroad that the house reputed to be the home of Little Nell was about to be demolished by order of the board of works. This, however, was a false alarm. The board had only ordered it to be shored up, as the adjoining house was in danger of collapse. The question of its removal was, however, only a matter of time, and now the time has arrived. Its demolition will very shortly be effected as a part of the wholesale improvements going forward in this



OLD CURIOSITY SHOP.

neighborhood, and which have already claimed two historic taverns—the George IV. and the Black Jack—and the last of the old bulk shops. Though the loss of all these associations is a matter for much regret, it cannot be doubted that the clearing of this squalid and congested congeries of byways will be a very real improvement.

There is the usual difference of opinion as to the actual building which Dickens had in his mind's eye when he wrote "The Old Curiosity Shop." The novel itself does not give any trustworthy clew, and the distinction has been claimed for 24 Fetter lane, which was pulled down early in 1891. The preponderance of opinion inclines to Portsmouth street, which is in a neighborhood replete with associations of Dickens.

The street, which originally bore the queer name of Louches building, takes its present name from Portsmouth house, built by Inigo Jones for the earl of Portsmouth, the front of which is still standing, but the interior has been entirely transformed to meet the requirements of modern days. The quaint old house we illustrate is believed to be the remnant of the dairy house of Louise de Kerhouel, duchess of Portsmouth, the "baby-faced" beauty, who so long held the susceptible Charles II. in thrall. Thus the name of the street is sometimes derived from the duchess rather than the earl.

SIR EDMUND MONSON.

The British Ambassador to France Is an Able Diplomat.

Sir Edmund Monson, the English ambassador to Paris, appointed on the retirement of the marquis of Dufferin and Ava, is one of the ablest diplomats in the service of Great Britain. He began his career in that branch of the government in the capacity of attache to the embassy of Paris. He later served at Florence, Washington, Hanover and Brussels. He was secretary to Lord Lyons for a time and ran for parliament, but was beaten. After his defeat he returned to the diplomatic service, and was consul and consul-general in the Azores, in Buda-Pesth and in Pest. He was sent on special missions to Dalmatia and to Montenegro, and after that he filled posts in the Argentine Republic, in Denmark and in

SIR EDMUND MONSON.

Greece. By this time he had risen to the rank of minister plenipotentiary and envoy extraordinary. In 1892 he was made a privy councilor and was sent by his government as ambassador to Vienna. Sir Edmund will be remembered for the part he played in the arbitration under convention between the United States and Denmark in the "Butterfield claim." His work in this case occupied his attention for the best part of a year. He is courtly in manner, speaks several languages as fluently as he does English and has a thorough understanding of international law.

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You and each of you are hereby cited and required to appear at a Term of the Orange County Court, to be held in the village of Goshen, on the 23d day of March, 1897, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to show cause why a settlement of the account and proceedings of Edwin S. Merrill, as assignee of the said Oscar S. Ritter should not be had, and if no cause be shown, to attend a settlement of such account.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of said County Court to be hereunto affixed. Witness Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of Orange county, this thirty-first day of December, 1896.

[L. S.]

W. G. TAGGART, Clerk.

GEO. H. DECKER, Attorney for Assignee. dFr5tFeb1

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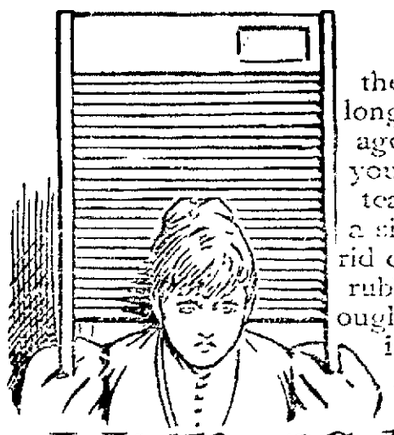

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Trains leave from Middletown Stations, beginning Nov. 1, 1896, and continuing until further notice, as follows:

Trains marked with * run daily. Trains Nos. 601, 625, 606, 617 and 620 run Sundays only. All other trains daily except Sunday. †Train No. 5 will stop only for passengers for Binghamton or west thereof—due notification must be given at the ticket office. Trains with the following letters affixed indicate connection, viz.: "G" with Newburg Branch via Greycourt; "T" with Newburg Short-cut Branch via Turners; "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

(F) Train No. 1 stops on signal for passengers west of Binghamton.

GOING EAST.

Nos.	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 12 Chicago Ex. T	4.30 a.m.	
* 10 New York Special	6.01 "	
96 Middletown Way	6.30 "	....6.32 a.m
16 Orange Co. Ex., G.M.	7.10 "	....7.12 "
98 Mountain Ex., T	8.23 "	....8.25 "
88 Del. Val. Ex. (M.P.G.)	10.48 "	
* 6 W. Mail, (G. exc't pt Su)	12.55 p.m.	....1.00 p.m
80 Way, T. M. P. G	4.11 "	....4.13
* 2 C. & G. T. Ex	5.07 "	
* 8 C. & St. L. Limited,	6.12 "	
22 P. J. Local T	7.27 "	
* 14 Wells Fargo Express	10 40 "	
*606 P. J. Local (Sun only)		
M. P. and G. T	8.23 a.m.	
620 P. J. Local (Su only)	5.19 p.m.	
18 Milk (Sunday only)	7.00 p.m.	

GOING WEST

Nos.	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 17 Milk	7.00 a.m.	
* 21 Port Jervis Way	10.36 "	....10.32 a.m
1 Day Express	F10.56 "	
9 Del. Val. Exp. ess	11.25 "	
11 Port Jervis Local	1.04 p.m.	.... 1.01 p.m
23 Port Jervis Exp	3.40 "	.... 3.37 "
†* 5 C. & St. L. Exp	4.07 "	
27 Mountain Exp	5.42 "	.... 5.38 "
15 Orange Co. Exp	6 50 "	.... 6.45 "
25 Middletown Way ar	8.05 "	.... 8.03 "
* 7 C. & C. T. Exp	9.34 "	
29 Way	9.13 "	
* 3 Chicago Exp	11.12 "	
601 Sunday Local	10.58 a.m.	
625 P. J. Way (Sun only)	3.08 p.m	
617 " " "	10 29 "	

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at *4.00, 7.45, 9.15, 10.30 a.m.; 1.00, 3.30, 4.30, 5.20, 6.30, *7.30, *8.45 p.m. Also additional Sunday trains at 7.45, 9.00 a.m. 12.30 and 7.30 p.m.

Crawford Branch.

GOING NORTH.

No	Leave for	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
*101	Pine Bush Mail	11 30 a.m.	11.35 a.m
*115	" " "		6.55 p.m
Sundays only		11.05 a.m.	11.10 a.m

COMING SOUTH

*128	Arrive from Pine Bush	5.16 a.m
*130	" " "	5.50 p.m

N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

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P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	STATIONS.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M
12.12	5.10	7.45	(ar) Middletown (lv)	6 30	7.12	4.46
12.00	4.57	7.34	Slate Hill	6.42	7.27	4.57
11.55	4 52	7.29	Johnsons	6 48	7.35	5.03
11.49	4.25	7 24	Westtown	6 53	7.43	5.09
11.44	4.15	7.18	Unionville	6.59	7.55	5.16
11.28	3.52	7.03	Deckertown	7.14	8.20	5.33
11 20	3 36	6.55	Hamburgh	7.22	8.46	5 42
11.12	3.26	6.47	Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53	
11.07	3.16	6.42	Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49
10.55	3.00	6.32	Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
10.50	2.55	6.27	Two Bridges	7 37	9 32	6 10
10.44	2.50	6.22	Paterson	8 03		7 30
10.34	2.40	6.12	Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 36	7 33
10.16	2.23	5.55	Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 46
9.53	2.05	5.38	Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 18
9.45	2.00	5.30	New York	9 55	11 23	8 23

Collector's Notice.

State and County Tax.

The warrant for the collection of the State and County Tax for the city of Middletown, N. Y., for the year 1896 having been delivered to me by the Board of Supervisors, I will attend on each working day of the week (Saturday afternoons and holidays excepted), from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the Corporation Rooms, Center street, in said city, for 30 days, beginning Monday, Dec. 21st, 1896, and ending Monday, Jan. 25th, 1897, inclusive, for the purpose of receiving payment of said taxes. No fee will be charged during said 30 days.

E. M. HAMILTON, Collector.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1896.

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To show 'tis solvent beyond a doubt,
When a bank goes to smash in China.
No pitying tears you see them shed,
But they take a big cheese knife instead,
And amputate the president's head.
And banks never break in China.
—Chicago Tribune.

AND THEY DID.

Mr. Johnson—I kain't afford toe git dese heah boys no skates, but dey's goin' toe skate jes' de same, dey is.—Leslie's Weekly.

The One Exception.

I speed defiance left and right,
And never ask what for:
I want to fight, both day and night—
Except in case of war.
—Washington Star.

Damaging Evidence.

Hicks—So you believe there was some mistake at the seance last night about that man who claimed to be your Uncle Ben, whom you asked the medium to call up?

Wicks—I certainly do. Uncle Ben weighed over 300 pounds, and if he had ever tried to get under that table we'd heard his suspenders burst before he had given a rap.—N. Y. Truth.

A Woman's Intuition.

Doctor—Your husband insists that he is troubled exactly as you are, and yet an examination of him fails to disclose a single similar symptom. I can't understand it.

Patient—I can. You prescribed a glass of wine three times a day for me.—Cleveland Leader.

An Inquiring Mind.

Bangs—From the west, eh?

"Yes, sir—from Chicago.

"Ah! Indeed! I spent several months in Chicago. Been there long?"

"Yes, sir. I am a member of the city council."

"You don't say so? What street is your saloon on?"—N. Y. Weekly.

Maud Muller.

Maud Muller, on a summer's day, raked the meadow, sweet with hay. A summer boarder, whose words were fair, she married, and went away from there. And she wished she'd remained, when she saw her mistake, wed to that other kind of a rake.—Detroit Tribune.

Lesser of Two Evils.

Officer—I found the man yelling and breaking dishes with an ax.

Magistrate—What have you to say for yourself?

Prisoner (humbly)—Your honor, I was trying to keep the baby quiet.—Town Topics.

Neglected Education.

Mistress — Gracious, Bridget, you don't clean this house at all! See, I can write my name in the dust on the mantel.

Bridget—Shure, mum, you've got er good edjikashun. That's more than I kin do.—N. Y. Journal.

A Cynic.

Mrs. Goodly — I'm surprised, Mr. Bache, to hear that you, of all men, believe in early marriages.

Old Bache—Well, madam, there's some excuse for folly in youth, but not later.—Brooklyn Life.

A Small Matter.

Guest (complainingly)—This bill of fare is all in French.

Waiter (reassuringly) — Niver you moind that, sur; the cook is Oirish.—N. Y. Weekly.

Spoiled His Fun.

Olive—How did you show George you were angry with him?

Violet—He took me out for a sleigh ride and I wore a veil.—N. Y. Journal.

Precautionary Silence.

"And has the burglary been reported to the police?"

"Goodness, no! We're trying to capture the thieves."—Chicago Journal.

A Real Bargain.

He—Miss Passe is a bargain.

She—How is that?

He—Thirty-eight marked down to $4.—Tit-Bits.

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See that the barrel is marked with our
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14—Wickham Ave., cor. Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, bar shops.
16—North St. and Wisner Ave., tyre shop.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hunford streets.
36—Canal street, condenserry.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
23—Rung before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.
1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.

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Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11 * Milk	1 On't Day Exp			7 Sull'v'n Co. Exp	5 * Chic ago Lint	
N. Y. Leave	A	M	A	M	P	M	P	M	
Franklin St	2	21	7	49			3	00	4	15	
W. 42d St.	2	30	7	55			3	15	4	30	
Weehawken	4	01	8	10			3	36	4	40	
Cornwall	6	10	9	45			5	00	6	01	
W Cornwall	6	22	9	53			5	08			
Orr's Mills	6	25	9	55			f	10			
Little Brit'n	6	40	10	05			5	28			
Burnside	6	56	10	16			5	45			
Campbell H	7	07	10	22			5	40	6	30	
Stony Ford	7	15	10	27			5	44			
M'town Main St.	7	28	10	43			5	58			
M'town ar	7	40	10	45			6	00	6	45	
M'town lv	8	45	*10	55			*6	10	*6	50	
Winterton	9	10	11	09			6	25			
Bloom'g'b'gh	9	21	11	15			6	30			
Wurtsboro	9	26	11	19			6	34			
Summitville	9	38	11	30			6	45			
Ellenville ar	10	05	11	50			7	05			
Fallsburgh	10	32	12	05			7	20			
Hurleyville	10	53	12	12			7	27			
Liberty Falls	11	15	n	23			7	38			
Liberty	11	30	12	29			7	44	8	07	
Parksville	11	45	12	40			7	55			
L'v'gst'n M't	12	00	12	53			8	08	8	30	
Rockland	12	15	1	08			8	25			13
Hancock Jct	1	20	2	00			8	27	9	19	A M
Walton	2	15	2	45			12	15	9	53	6 05
Sidey Cent'r			3	18			2	10			8 38
Sidney			3	41	4	1			10	25	9 02
N'rwich ar			4	33	A	M	5	20	11	18	9 57
N'rwich lv			4	38	7	30	P	M	11	23	10 02
Oneid'Castl''			6	06	9	10			n1	235	A M
Oneida ar			6	10	9	15			12	40	
Oneida lv			6	15							
Fulton			7	57					n2	00	
Oswego ar			8	30					2	20	
	P	M	P	M	A	M			A	M	

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New Y'rk Exp				12 *	14		50 Local	2 Day Exp		
	P	M	P	M		Trel-bi Ex			P	M	A M
Oswego lv	12	35							6	45	
Oneida ar									8	46	
Oneida lv	2	11				12	20		8	50	
Oneid'Castl''						12	25		8	53	
Norwich ar	3	24			7	26	5	3	10	37	
Norwich lv	3	29			7	41	P	M	10	42	
Sidney	4	20			8	45			11	49	
Sidey Cent'r					9	08			11	57	
Winton	5	05	12	15	9	38			*12	37	
Hancock Jct	5	38	1	30	S				1	20	
Lockland			2	38	6	0			2	10	
L'v'gst'n M't	6	27	3	00	6	14			2	25	
Parksville			3	16	6	25			2	37	
Liberty	6	48	3	35	6	36			2	51	
Liberty Falls			3	41	6	41			n2	56	
Hurleyville			4	04	6	50			3	09	
Fallsburgh	n7	36	4	19	6	57			3	14	
Centreville			4	40	7	04			n3	30	
Mountain D.			4	50	7	10			n3	25	
Summitville			5	15	7	26			3	45	
Wurtsboro			5	25	7	33			n3	52	
Bloom'g'bgh			5	32	7	38			3	57	
Winterton			5	40	7	43			n4	02	
M'town ar	8	00	6	05	8	00			4	21	
M'town lv	8	10	6	25	*8	10			*4	30	
M'town Main St.			6	37	8	12			4	32	
Stony Ford			7	02	8	27			4	46	
Campb'll H.			7	7	8	31			4	52	
Burnside			7	25	8	36			n4	57	
Little Brit'n			7	35	8	46			n5	08	
Orr's Mills			7	45	8	53			n5	19	
W Cornwall			8	20	8	55			n5	21	
Cornwall	8	53	8	30	9	07			5	25	
Weehawken	10	0	11	00	10	30			7	00	
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W. 42d St.	10	30	11	15	10	40			7	10	
N. Y.											
Fkln St ar	10	45	11	30	10	55			7	25	
	P	M	P	M	A	M			P	M	

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

S Stop for meals.

Trains leave Hancock Junction 2 05 p. m., for Scranton, Carbondale and Intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., for Hancock Junction.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 30, a. m., 3 50 and 6.45 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00, and 10 50 a. m., 3 00 and 5 05 p. m.

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Trains leave Walton for Delhi 7 00 a. m., *2 45 and 9 50 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m.

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NORTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Sun p m
New York	8 30	.....	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	.....	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 02
Paterson	9 39	.....	5 54
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 16	6 42
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 28	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 04	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 38	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 34
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	4 46
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 09
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 16
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 23
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 33
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	5 42
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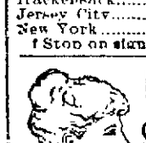
Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
Two Bridges	7 51	9 32	6 10
Paterson	8 03	.....	7 30
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 36	7 33
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 46
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 18
New York	9 55	11 23	8 23

f Stop on signal.



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THE COMMON COUMCIL.

PROCEEDINGS OF LAST NIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING.

A Garbage Ordinance—Proposed Change of Fire Limits—People Have a Chance to Kick If They Wish—Cost of King Street Sewer—Other Business Transacted.

The regular meeting of the Common Council was held, last evening, present, President Dorrance and Aldermen Abrams, Funnell, Hirst, Mance and Reed.

A resolution by Mr. Reed ordered the filing of a lien on the property of Mrs. Nora Denton, on West Main street, to the amount of $38 for sidewalk improvements and costs of service of notice by publication.

A GARBAGE ORDINANCE.

The following ordinance was read and adopted:

An ordinance in relation to the dumping of garbage within the city of Middletown, N. Y.

The Common Council of the city of Middletown do ordain as follows:

SEC. 1. Every person or corporation who shall place or deposit any unwholesome material, garbage or filth of any kind or deposit papers upon any street, lane or alley side or crosswalk, within the limits of the city of Middletown or upon any place other than provided for by the Common Council of said city, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not more than five dollars for the first offense, and a penalty of not less than ten dollars for each subsequent offense.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

PROPOSED CHANGE OF FIRE LIMITS.

Mr. Funnell reported on the proposed change of fire limits recommending the new line as follows:

Beginning at the center line of Fulton and Mulberry streets and runs through Mulberry street to a point 400 feet from the southerly line of West Main street, thence on a line parallel with and 400 feet distant from West and East Main streets to a point 400 feet easterly of the east rail of the west bound track of the Erie railroad; thence on a line parallel with and 400 feet distant from the east rail of said track to its intersection with the centre line of Cottage street; thence northwesterly to the point of intersection of the center lines of North street and Wickham avenue; thence through Wickham avenue to Highland avenue to Hanford street, to Harding street, to Fulton, to Mulberry street, the point of beginning.

Mr. Hirst moved that the matter be laid over until the next meeting. A vote was taken and the motion declared lost.

Mr. Hirst said he did not believe in extending the fire limits into the residence localities, where it is entirely unnecessary, and he also thought people should be given an opportunity to be heard if they desired it before making such a radical change in the fire limits. The proposed line extends into localities where people own property who would be unable to erect brick residences. He said there might be good and reasonable objections to the proposed limits,—and the people should at least be given an opportunity to be heard if they desired. He said it was altogether too much the custom of this Council to rush measures through that ought to be given more consideration by Council, in which all or a portion of the people have interests. Matters of importance should not be acted upon too hastily.

Mr. Mance claimed that Mr. Hirst nor Mr. Abrams, who seconded the motion, had voted for it, and there being a misunderstanding asked for a roll call, which resulted as follows: Ayes, Abrams, Hirst and Mance; nays, Dorrance, Funnell and Reed.

Mr. Reed asked permission to change his vote, and the motion to lay over was then carried.

The city attorney was directed to prepare a new ordinance to take the place of the old village ordinance regulating fire limits, to be adopted when the new district is finally decided upon.

Mr. Hirst moved that the Captain of Police be authorized to detail an officer for duty at Metzgod's sale.

Mr. Hirst reported a dangerous chimney on West Main street, near the Erie crossing, a brick having fallen from the chimney upon a man while he was working on the sidewalk.

Mr. Mance moved to refer the matter to the fire wardens, after much time had been consumed in its discussion. A much quicker and easier way to dispose of the whole matter would have been to pass an order for the removal or repair of the chimney, under Section 19 of Title 3 of the charter, which provides that Council may order the removal of "any building or part thereof that is liable to fall down and endanger person or property."

Mr. Funnell offered a resolution which was adopted, declaring the cost of the King street sewer to be $171.48 and ordering that that sum be assessed upon the properties benefitted by the sewer. The district to be assessed begins at the connection with the trunk sewer and extends easterly a distance of about 155 rod.

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THE PROHIBITION COMMITTEE.

Meeting at Goshen Yesterday—Officers Elected for the Year.

The Prohibition County Committee of Orange county held an enthusiastic meeting in the Court House, at Goshen, yesterday afternoon. J. C. Rider, of Central Valley, was elected temporary chairman and D. S. Gerow, of Newburgh, secretary.

The treasurer reported a balance on hand.

Thomas C. Smith, of Middletown, was re-elected chairman and D. S. Gerow, secretary of the committee for the year.

Among those present were: Rev. John Anthony, Edenville; Willis Seaman, Washingtonville; Geo. Stevenson, Cornwall; Oscar Durland, Chester; E. J. Sawyer, Goshen.

Its Charter Approved.

The Attorney General has approved the charter of the Highland Mutual Insurance Company, of Newburgh, of which Col. Shepard, of this city, is one of the incorporators.

EAST UNIONVILLE.

Wedding Anniversary—Good Auction Prices—Removals—Personal Items.

Correspondence ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—E. L. McCarrick has returned, after spending a couple of weeks at Pompton, N. J.

—Invitations have been received in this valley for the fifteenth anniversary of Mr. and Mrs W. D. Beemer, Jan. 25th, at Big Spring farm.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson entertained a company of friends, Thursday.

—At the Callahan sale, last Tuesday, cows sold very high, and everything else in proportion.

—G. A. Potter is away from home for a few days.

—Colds are still very prevalent in this valley.

—James Talmage moves April 1st to C. C. E. Sayer's farm, near Middletown; Eben Burns from Hamburgh to the Ketcham estate; A. C. Keepers to the McCoy farm, near Lewisburgh, N. J.

—A few from this valley attended the medicine show, which is being held in Empire Hall.

—A number from Westtown took advantage of the low rates and went on the excursion to New York, Wednesday.

—Robert Carpenter spent last Sunday with J. C. Van Auken.

WURTSBORO.

A Short Vacation—Of Interest to Singers A Well Attended Dance—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—James E. Benedict, of the West Shore road at Newburgh, is home for a three days' visit.

—All members of the Choral Society of last winter are requested to meet at the school building, Monday evening, Jan. 25th, for a "sing," and to decide on the question of having another term of choral instruction. All others interested are also invited.

—The masquerade hop at Philcox's Hotel, Wednesday evening, was well attended and a good time is reported.

—Miss Lena Parsells, of Middletown, spent a few days in town, returning Tuesday.

RIDGEBURY.

A Very Successful Social.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The sociable of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Ridgebury Presbyterian Church, last Tuesday evening, at James Ralston's, on the lower road, was a success. Mr. Ralston's fine new house with the cordial welcome he and his family accorded to all, plus the results of the labor of the entertainment committee made a combination that resulted in a "good time" to everyone of the many present.

SOUTH CENTREVILLE.

A Successful Donation—Love Feast and Communion.

Correspondence ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—The literary and festive plays of our young friends from Greenville, and the financial results to the Church of the Methodist donation in this place, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 19th, were highly gratifying.

—The Methodists will hold their quarterly love feast and communion, next Sunday, at 2:30 p. m.

JOHNSON.

Returned Home—Nearing Completion

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mrs. W. H. Foley, of Edenville, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John O'Connor, for the past week, returned home, Wednesday.

—The hotel of William Haley, in this village, is rapidly nearing completion.

GREENVILLE.

Correspondent Argus and Mercury.

—There will be communion services held in the church, next Sunday, at 10:30 a. m., Pastor Brown officiating.

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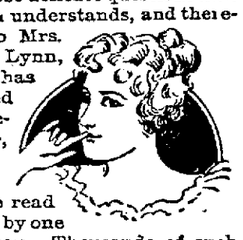

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—MRS. GEORGE NEHEMOSS, Crittendon, Erie Co., N. Y.

Had His Brother-in-Law Arrested.

W. H. Ellis, of near Bloomingburgh, was arrested, a few days ago, on complaint of his wife's brother, Thomas E. Winfield, who charged that when he demanded a settlement of wages which he claims have been due since 1894, Ellis used a pitchfork to frighten him off the place. Justice Myers, of Mechanictown, before whom Ellis was taken discharged Ellis, Winfield not showing any injuries, and having no witnesses to sustain his charge.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y.
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22, '97.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	116¾	117
Tobacco	76½	76
Chicago Gas	78⅛	78⅛
Nat. Lead	25¾	—
General Electric	34½	34⅝
U. S. L., pref.	62⅝	62⅝
Tenn. Coal and Iron	29¾	29½
A. T. & S. F.	14¾	14⅝
C. B. & Q.	75⅛	75⅛
C. M. & St. P.	76⅛	75⅞
R. I.	68¾	68¾
D. L. & W.	—	155⅛
C. of N. J.	100½	99½
Erie	—	15
D. and H.	110½	107⅜
O. & W.	15	15
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref.	23⅝	23⅝
P. & R.	26¾	26¼
N. W.	104¾	104¾
L. S.	—	—
N. Y. C.	94½	94½
M. P.	22⅝	22½
Texas	—	—
U. P.	6¾	7⅛
W. Union	84⅝	85
L. & N.	51⅝	51
Manhattan	91½	91⅞
P. M.	25⅜	25⅜
Wabash, pref.	16⅝	16⅞
No. Pacific, pref.	33⅜	33⅝
W. F.	—	—
Southern Ry.	—	9½
Southern, pref.	20	20⅝
May Wheat	79⅛	79⅝
May Corn	24⅝	24⅝
May Oats	17⅝	17⅝
May Pork	$7 97	$7 95
May Lard	4 07	4 05

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47d6t GREENING'S.

MISS JULIE MYERS will continue her Dancing Class at Nearing Hall, for another half term, commencing Jan. 26th. 47d2t

AUCTION—Joshua Case Jr., auctioneer—30 springers and new milkers at the yards of J. M. Johnson, on Genung street, Middletown, Jan. 25th, at 10 o'clock sharp.
1td&w TEGELER & CO.

FOR RENT—Four rooms, first floor, well and cistern, Wawayanda avenue, $4.50 to April 1st; also seven-room cottage, Benjamin street. MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys, No. 57 North street.

TO LET—Store room in Armstrong & Lyon's Block, occupied by Burnett.
1td DILL & COX.

FOUND—A Bunch of Keys. Owner may find them at this office. 1t

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF has left town and will return to Middletown the 18th of January, 1897, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James St. 18d&w3mMch17

PIPES, PIPES, PIPES.

I will offer this week, at my store, pipes at a great reduction. Now is the time to buy. Don't fail to come in and examine my stock, as I have the largest assortment to select from in the city. Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown.
42d&wlyMy20 N. D. MILLS, Prop.

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WE HAVE IT—Heavy home killed Steer Beef with the right flavor and taste. Fresh Eggs from Sullivan.
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